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Newspaper English is not to

be confused with correct Eng-

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ducens of readers who write to

The Times daily, complaining

when the former does not con-

form with the latter. All the

same, newspaper English is a

valid linguistic entity with its

own rules. The most authorita-tive guide to those rules for

reporting

From Michael Leapman

New York, Sept 27

style

Steel, the Liberal leader, made dear yesterday that the future of party's pact with Labour to keep Government in power through parliamentary session other on Mr Callaghan's isting that his ministers support : inclusion of proportional

representation in legislation for direct elections to the European Parliament. The Liberal conference in Brighton today is expected to endorse Mr Steel's attitude, although opposition to the pact was voiced last night by Mr Cyril Smith, the former Chief Whip.



David Steel, the Liberal leader, acknowledging a standing ovation after his opening ech to the party assembly in Brighton yesterday.

Mr Steel's conference success underlines vital issue

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ir Christopher Maybew, the mer Labour minister, will re that the conference "reds the support of a substan majority of Labour MPs PR system of elections to

crucial indicator of Labour sup-

Mr Steel and his parliamentary colleagues have not yet entered into consultations with the Prime Minister and Mr Foot, Leader of the Commons, agement of business for the next parliamentary session. opening on November 3. But there can be no doubt that Government determination to carry the direct elections Bill with a PR formula must be a sticking point for Mr Steel and all Liberal MPs if they are to justify the pact to their rank and file.

Mr Cyril Smith, the former Chief Whip and the MP for Rochdale, leads the opposition to Mr Steel's deal with Mr Callaghan. He ostentatiously did not attend yesterday to hear Mr Steel's defence of the pact-As the conference closed, how-ever, Liberal delegates began making their way to a meeting at which Mr Smith and other opponents of the pact were opening their campaign to try to win today's voto.

Mr Steel had a modest conference success with his rationalization of the argument for the part keeping Labour in hower. When he sat down all the MPs and party leaders on the platform stood to him, and so did most of the delegates. But some Young Liberals sat on their hands, just as during the their bands, just as during the speech itself they occasionally hissed to make clear their dissent. There were plenty of Smith men in the hall.

One of the warmest outbreaks of applause came when Mr. Steel said it was a decision of great constitutional importance to enter into a pact with the ever much it may be misrepresented by those who prefer the drama of confrontation politics. it marked the beginning of the return to samity in this divided

History, he added, would have to judge where the balance of party advantage lay, but "I care much more for the long overdue emergence of the national incress as the proper European Parliament as a standard of political division".

He admitted that some Liberal MPs originally had report for an agreement". servations about the pact, and that he himself would rather have "called the whole idea off, and led a united purty into a general election", than have a Liberal parliamontary party voting in all directions. The point was that the pact

> government action and deci-A Liberal-Labour coalition. Mr Steel asserted, was neither offered nor sought, because it seemed plain common sense never to ask "for things which I know it is not in the Prime Minister's power to give". Nevertheless, some of the Smith Liberals did not take kindly to

one passage in his peroration. "This year", Mr Steel said, we have done more than talk "we have done more than talk.
We have begun to change, just
slightly, the way in which
Britain is run. Now we have to
demonstrate that if this much
can be done by a tiny bund of
Liberals outside government
how much more could be done
by a larger group inside the
next government, and still more
by a Liberal government itself."

What on earth, critics of the pact asked, was Mr Steel hinting at? Some of them resentfully concluded that he was gently accustoming the runk and file to the idea that out of the present pact with Labour there might grow a formal coalition, with Mr. Steel and

one or two other Liberal MPs cosily inside a Labour ministry. Yet that came as an after-thought, when the cheers for-Mr Steel had long ded away. While the speech lasted, Mr Steel, an engagingly slight and boyish figure, carried his audience with pothing except sweet reason. sweet reason.

He flattered his followers with claims for influence over the Coverument, but history will no doubt say it properly belongs to the International Monetary Fund's examiners of the Labour Government's books long before the pact was signed. Conference report, page 5

Mr Nicholas Scott readopted: Mrs Colquhoun defeated

Conservative MP seeks to appease critics

By Peter Strafford many Mr Nicholas Scott, MP for Scott, Kensington and Chelsea, sucreeded has night in resisting a compaign by Conservative right-wingers to dislodge him as the candidate for the constituency. By 69 votes to 21 Chelses Conservative Association accepted a resolution readopting him as its

But in Northampton, which Mrs Manreen Continoun has held for Labour since 1974, the constituency party's management committee voted by 23 to 18 with one abstention that she should not be readopted at the

The vote ended a campaign met, Mr Beale read out the that began last year, based on selection committee's recom-

From David Blake

and Germany.

countries with big payments

At two separate conferences they said that only surplus countries could realistically take

major stimulatory action. Mr Blumenthal added that he did

not see many candidates for such action apart from Japan

Mr Healey's cautious assent

to this view, although he added the smaller countries of Swit-

zerland and The Netherlands to

the list, does not seem to in-volve any becktracking on the clear indications he has been giving that he is thinking of introducing a November pack-

age of tax cuts unless pay starts

to get out of control.

Indeed, he went out of his way to stress that the United Kingdom has a "good deal of headroom" on its public borrowing, domestic credit expansion and money supply

argets. He stressed, however, that the

Government had no intention of "throwing away" the gains it bud made in the fight against

inflation by what he called excessive and spasmodic stimulation of demand a.

Some of those gains were spelt out in great detail in a

speech made by Mr Healey to the annual session of the Inter-national Monetary Pand and the

ment in the balance of pay-

ments and gave a thankful nod to the Fund for the role it had

played in restoring confidence.

fence of the Government's decision not to allow the value of

tion where the economy was en-

dangered by a loss of competi-

He also entered a strong de-

World Bank here today.

It included complaints about

publicity surrounding his separa-tion and divorce, his business accordations and his alleged neglect of the constituency, as well as his position on the left wing of the Conservative Party. Last week a vote in the selection committee of the Conservatire Association required Mr Scott to go through a selection process. A main actor in the campaign was Mr Neville Beale,

chairman of the association, who said he was arriculating the prievances of others.

recommending Mr Scott's readoption was carried. A sub-stantive motion in identical terms was then adopted by a

After the vote Mr Scott felt there should be a respoke hapilly of his victory but was careful to use an account of the selection process. was careful to use appeasing words. He described the decision as a vote for unity, for winning the next election, and for getting Mrs Thatcher into 10 Downing Street.

seat. He saw no reason to change his policies in response to the campaign.

He emphasized that the atmosphere in last night's debate had been friendly and that there had been a high level discussion. He denied that

That was a reference to the position of the Young Conservatives, who have argued that there should be a more open process for selecting

10 Downing Street.

He said he considered the Chelsea, Mr Scott added, howaffair over and that he regarded himself as safe in his much might be said for a new selection process, it had been felt that that was not the time

This was, he stated, the Soviet approach to these ques-tions. But he went on: "Let

no one have any doubts about a different asport of the matter. Any attempt at sermonizing ar

us or, still worse, at interfering in our internal affairs under

countered and will encounter a

On the Middle East,

Armed gang

raid at bank

men to su abrupt and unsuc-

delivering money to a branch of Williams and Glyn's bank in Birchin Lene, and one

in Birchin Lane, and one guard had been stoot in the

nine bags of money, their car, the third they had used, was

rammed in Upper Thames Street by a second security

van. The men, some of them

a fourth car after forcing its chauffeur out into the road.

But as they escaped

foiled after

resolute rebuff."

American journalists is the style book of the Associated Press, which has just been revised to take account of the cultural shifts of the seventies. Its broad philosophy is per-missive, and is summed up under the heading : Word Selec-

tion. It declares: "In general any word with a meaning that any word with a meaning that universally is understood is sceeptable unless it is offensive or below the normal standards of literate writing." In specific sensitive areas, thought to fifers fairly rigid guidelines on how a reporter ought to behave.

Take women. No hanky-panky here. "Women should receive the same treatment as men in all areas of coverage. Physical descriptions, sexist references, demeaning stereo-types and condescending phrases should not be used."

More precise instructions are offered. "Copy should not assume maleness when both sexes are involved as in Jackson told newsmen or The taxpayer . . . he' when it can easily be said ' Jackson told reporters' or Taxpayers . . . they .

"Copy should not express surprise that an attractive woman can be professionally accomplished, as in Mary Smith doesn't look the part but she's an authority on . . . Gromyko criticized Israel for making it impossible to recon-"Serious apprehensions are "Copy should not gratuitously

mention family relationships well known. A great deal of inflammable material has been when there is no relevance to the subject, as in Golda Meir, accumulated in the Middle East, and in the event of another outbreak of hostilities a doughty grandmother, told the Egyptians today . . .

The theme is continued under the "divorce" heading. "The fact that a woman has been divorced should be mentioned only if a similar story about a man would mention his marital status."

Common pitfalls to be avoided include the misuse of the word "collide". To collide, two objects must be in motion thus a car carnot collide with a 'lamp post. "The man drowned" means it was acci-dental. "The man was drowned" means that someone The alertness of a team of else did it.

The style book says dying should not be confused with dying flaunt with flour, fish with flay, flounder with founder. A man who fishosters is not a filibusterer bur a filibuster. A pom-pom is a rapid firing automatic weapon. pompon a large ball of crepe paper or fluffed cloth, or a chrysantiremum flower. While feather bedding is a mattress stuffed with feathers, featherbedding is the practice of requiring an employer to hire more workers than are needed to handle a job. wearing balactava masks, left all the stolen money in the car. They then commandeered

All this in 276 pages. A miracle of condensation, a book to flaunt but not to flout, to help prevent newsmen (reporters) from both floundering and foundering. A boon to man, mankind, humanity, a per-

Soviet Union halts nuclear tests Healey warning on in pact with Britain and US inflation criticize the Soviet Union for breaches of human rights. He spoke of "the need to encour-From Our Own Correspondent battle spoke of "the need to encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all people without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion, as determined, inter alia, by the international covenants on human rights".

New York, Sept 27

Mr Gronyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, surprised the United Nations General Assembly today by announcing Washington, Sept 27
Mr Healey and Mr Michael
Blumenthal, the United States a temporary suspension of underground nuclear tests. He said the ban was by agreement with the United States and British even though other nuclear powers—China and Treasury Secretary, today both stressed that they see the main burden of pulling the world out of recession still falling on the France-have not acceded to a test-ban treaty.

In his long speech to the Assombly, Air Gromyko devoted considerable attention nuclear weapons and their proliferation, and the broader question of disarmament. He spoke of the "grave consequences for the security of African peoples and universal peoples if South Africa were to get hold of nuclear weapons.

On disarmanient. Mr Gromyko, while not mentioning the United States by name, spoke of the hypocrisy of proposing drastic weapons reduc-tions while at the same time developing new weapons such as the neutron bomb.

"How can one qualify this inhuman weapon as humane?",



Mr Gromyko: wide-ranging

he asked. *After all it is intended to be used directly against human beings and is in the same category with such cruel and barbaric means of warfare as bacteriological or chemical weapons."

speech at United Nations. aroused by the words and deeds of the leadership of Isrcel", he said. "They are In another section of no one would be able to pre-dict its outcome." speech, Mr Gromyko made an explicit attack on those who

Russians get tougher with EEC on fishing

He repeated his hope that inflation would be in single figures by the early part of next year, talked about the improvethe Nine that their fishermen must keep withic a total catch limit of 1,800 tonnes over the next two months. This would effectively mean that the EEC could not have more than three boats in the Borents Sea at one

Mr John Silkin, the Minister of Agriculture, told journalists that this offer was "quite unacceptable" to Britain, and he believed to the rest of the Community as well. It was likely that the Council of Minthe pound to go on rising, say-ing that it would be wrong to allow "over-exuberant man-kets" to get sterling to a posiisters would decide today or later this week to retaliste by closing EEC waters entirely to Soviet fishermen.

The Chancellor gave backing to the call by Dr Johannes Wir-The Soviet demand was received earlier today by the Belgians, who at present hold the EEC Presidency, shortly after the expulsion of one teveen, the managing director of the Fund, for the strong countries to stimulate demand more. stressing that what was needed was domestic demand, not growth achieved by exports. as domestic demand, not British and two French trawlers the Community's North Sea rowth achieved by exports. From the Barents Sea during the grounds. It now looks as if this weekend, apparently because will not be granted.

Brussels, Sept 27

The Soviet Union has given the Russians announced some the EEC until Friend to submit to introduce a licensing system and imposs of the catch question sector of the Barents Sea.

The Russians have also told attempt to enforce these measures and EEC vessels coincided. cessful end in the City of Lon-tion yesterday.

The gaug had attacked three measures and EEC vessels continued to fish without restriction in the Barents Sea, much of which lies within the 200-mile limit claimed by Moscow earlier

> The Barents is estimated to provide between 30,000 and 35,000 tonnes of Britain's white fish catch, mainly in the form of Arctic cod. With the loss in recent years of access to Icelandic and other waters as a sesset of the general exten-sion of 200-mile limits, this now represents between a fifth and quarter of Eritain's distant

Today the EEC had been due to give formal approval to extending until the end of November the terror Today the EEC had been due to give formal approval to Police said they were last extending until the end of seen getting into a taxi, "We November the temporary assume they hijacked it". an arrangements under which the officer said. Soviet Union has been per

barred from Labour conference By Christopher Thomas

abour Reporter

to join an official dispute by their union are being barred-from attending the Labour Party conference in Brighton next week. Mr Nigel Duncan and Mr Michael Burrell, political correspondents for Westminster Press, will not be given credentials.

North of England Newspapers, part of the Westminster Press group, for a closed shop for more than a hundred journaliists centred on Darlington.

p.pers in Barrow-in-Furness, York, Bradford, Brighton, Bath, Swindon, Oxford, Slough and Southend. Credentials have been granted for reporters from the Telegraph and Argus in Bridford and the Brighton Argus, both owned by Westmin-

taken the view that if all our papers apply individually they can each be granted credentials. If that was followed to require 10 people rather than two specialist political correspondents who spend their en-tire working life reviewing the

The Labour Party press office said last night: "This is an official dispute between West-minster Press London office

Who were the first Two journalists in strike dispute are port given to an NUJ strike at said: "The Labour Party has

Two journalists who refused.

They are among four London-based members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) employed by Westminster Press who are working normally. Eleven NUI members are idle. Diary, page 14 Their dispute with the man-

Mr Duncan and Mr Burrell were to report the conference for Westminster Press news-

ster Press.
Mr Martin Davies, Loudon editor of Westminster Press,

and the National Union of Journalists. The NUJ asked for our support and the support of the TUC, and we are giving h."

)wen warning n Rhodesia) South Africa

BINING David Owen has warned South Africa inst continuing to support the white consistration in Rhodesia should it reject United Nations peace package. In a ech to the United Nations General embly in New York, he hinted strongly to Britain would be in favour of sanctis against South Africa if such support e maintained. His warning referred the evantual presentation of the peace kage to the Security Council Page 7

aker profits

Freddie Leker plans to sign a letter ntent today to buy two new DC10 jets th £35m. He estamtes that the first rain flights to New York and back a profit of £11,325. But the second n from Gatwick last night had only 111 angers, well below the break-even e of 189

Mr Lynch arrives for London talks

Anglo-Irish diplomatic relations will face a severe test foday when Mr Callaghan has his first formal meeting with Mr Lynch since the new Irish Prime Minister's election victory in June. Because of an Aer Lingus dispute, the aircraft bringing Mr Lynch to London was diverted from Heathrow to Luton airport. Page 2

13 pc inflation predicted Inflation will be down to 13 per cent by Christmas, : Mr Hattersley, Secretary of

State for Prices and Consumer Protection, oredicted in London Single figure inflation is the target for 1978 Page 6 'Real risk' of radiation

The risk of cancer from exposure to low doses of radiation has been seriously underestimated, according to an enament epidemiologist in evidence to the Wind-scale inquiry. Dr Alice Stewart, of Birmingham University, suggests that the risk-may be up to twenty times greater habit can safely return to "controlled" than is at present accepted Page 4:

New technique for proving paternity

new method, based on the examination of u pto 170 different factors in the blood, has been developed in West Germany, nroviding a virtually certain technique for proving or disproving the paternity of a-child. It has been made public at a Hamburg conference

Curbing violence
Politicians and trade union and church,
leaders who took part in violent demonstrations and disputes were orged to stay.

Poter strations and disputes were brack to stay, away by Chief Superintendent Peter Hawkins, president of the Police Superintendents' Association, at Its conference at Torquay Page 2 conference at Torquay

Gronwick picketing: Mr Arthur Scargill, the Yorkshire miners' leader, wanted to be arrested when he appeared in support of the Grunwick pickets, a police con-stable alleged in court Alcoholism: Two organizations concerned with alcoholism have disagreed overwhether an alcoholic who overcomes the

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For those with a taste for the original.

Police chief advises politicians to shun violent rallies

Home Affairs Correspondent

Politicians and union and church leaders who got mixed up in violent demonstrations and disputes were urged to stay away in future by Chief Super-intendent Peter Hawkins, president of the Police Superinten-dents' Association of England and Wales, at its ennual con-ference in Torquay yesterday.

"By their mere presence they

may have unwittingly sparked off potentially explosive situa-tions, and been used by the mob elements as an excuse for greater violence and attack on the police", he said.

He wants the Home Secre-tary to use his influence with MPs and other leaders of society "to lend support to the police in these traumatic situa-tions by keeping away, rather than making our task even more difficult.".
His speech reflected the con-

cern felt by police about the inadequacy of the law concern-ing demonstrations over indus-trial and political disputes.

"It may be that there should be a return to subjective legislation, whereby those persons organizing and leading group confrontations must shoulder responsibility and be answerable for what is likely to occur", he said.

During a trandar saminar is

During a two-day seminar in November chief constables will examine the workings of the Public Order Act, 1936, and consider any changes.

The superintendents are con-

one of several ways in which evidence yet exists. the police were being under. Mr Andrew promise mined, according to Mr Hawkins of the Avon and Som-erset Constabulary. He called for a big pay rise and criticised lack of support for the police from leaders of society.

fed up with being taken for granted, with a lack of support from our leaders in society" he added. For too long the Government and the community have leant too heavily on the loyalty and the dedication of the service, without ensuring the proper financial reward and support to which this dedication entitles them."

Mr Hawkins said that because of the ending of a separate establishment for women in the service the proportion in many forces exceeded a tenth, against an average of a twentieth in 1975. Yet there was greater public disorder.

It might be necessary to consider the application of the Sex Discrimination Act to the service. The replacement of trained officers by young women just to maintain num-bers was ideological idiocy.

Replying on behalf of Mr Rees, Mr Robert Andrew, a deputy under-secretary at the Home Office, disclosed that a quarter of all recruits in the first seven months of this year were young woman proba-tioners. That was producing an abnormally high proportion of inexperienced woman officers on patrol duty.

As more completed probation and became eligible for consideration for the specialist departments, numbers of women on patrol duty should not much exceed the proportion in the service as a whole.

The superintendents are con-terned that the vagueness of the law makes it difficult to bring to justice people respon-sible for mob violence.

The weakness of the law was a operation. I do not think that

Mr Andrew promised that re-examination of the Public Order Act, 1936, after the events at Lewisham and Ladywood would include the possibility of any gaps in the related criminal law.

Equity opposes new work permits for black actors

decided vesterday to approach the Home Office in its attempt to close the London production of the South African musical,

Mr Peter Plouviez, the union's general secretary, said efter en executive committee meeting that Equity wanted the sion to give the company a new work permit. from or will live a simple dispute about unitely go ".

should be allowed to perform in this country indefinitely, he said. Ipi Tombi had been running here for two years, although most overseas unit. companies worked in Britain for only six months.

Mr Plouviez said the dispute had "nothing whatsoever to do with the nationality of the company, where they have come from, or where they may ulti-

Mr Scargill 'wanted to be arrested' PC alleges

By Craig Seton Arthur Scargill, the Yorkshire miners' leader, wanted to

be arrested when he appeared in support of pickets at the Grunwick film processing laboratory in Willeaden London, Police Constable Jeffrey Terry said at Barnet Magis-trates Court, London, yesterday. Mr. Scargill, aged 39, of Worsbrough Dale, south York-

shire, pleaded not guilty to two charges of obstructing the righway and obsecuting the policeman on June 23. Mr Richard Beckett, for the prosecution, said that Mr Scar-gill, with about 150 Yorkshire miners, had arrived at the Grunwick picket line. When the Grunwick workers bus arrived

near the rear gates he had got

in front of it four times before he was arrested. He had ignored police requests to keep to the pavement.
Mr Scargill said in evidence that he had cooperated with the police. The police special patrol group had started pull-ing people out of the crowd, "indiscriminately". A police constable had taken hold of him, saying "You will ito ... I will have you", and had marched him to another payement, where he was released. He had not moved from the

pavement when Police Con stable Colin Woodcock arrested

him. He denied returning to the road in front of the bus.

No obstruction by cricketer

Kevin Lyons, the Glamorgan county cricketer and assistant coach, of Doyle Avenue, Fairwater, Cardiff, was arrested when he offered spare tickets to people outside Lord's cricket ground just before the Gillette Cup final on Seotember

Mr Roderick Romain, the Marylebone magistrate, yester-day acquirted him of obstruct-ing the footway but said he thought he was being a

Printers end strike

More than three hundred printing trade workers at the Eric Bemrose plant in Liverpool ended a week-long unofficial strike over pay yester-day, but it was too late to save 3,500,000 copies of this week's

Mrs Thatcher sees oil Mrs Thatcher, the Conserva tive leader, yesterday started a visit to Sherland by flying in a helicopter to the huge North Sea oil terminal at Sullom Voe. Officialdom has no alternative to 'secure' place for convicted boy aged 12 Both sides

What to do with the very young offender

The boy aged 12 semenced at St Alban's Crown Court, Hernfordshire, on Monday to slaughter is probably the youngest person in detention in Britain for a serious criminel offence. His conviction, for attempted intercourse with a girl of four, who later died illustrates the difficulty of what to do with very young

From the age of 14 offenders can be sent to a detention centre, and from 15 the courts can direct them to barstal, but courts and the Home Office recognize that anything like a prison environment is too severe for a child of 12,

Nevertheless, the boy will spend his sentence in a secure place in a local authority community home. That sphere; habitual absconders, does not mean that he will be who create trouble when let in solitary confinement, but his out; and those held for their movements will be restricted own safety, from risk of suitand his visitors and visits clie or, in the case of young home will require Home Office girls, some moral danger.

speroval.

The Department of Health the exact nature of his regime and Social Security, which has will be decided and above he homes are a product of the overall responsibility for providing and Young Parsons son of the secure places, appearance in court.

Act. 1969, which attempted to shift the emphasis of detention incoming advice on the Persument of Residual

Labour Reporter
Drivers of heavy goods vehicles, potentially one of the most powerful groups of workers in Britzin, are mounting a direct assault on the Government's 10 per cent earnings

The P & O shipping line, after a warning from the Department of Employment not to pay a 132 per cent award agreed for 40 container-lorry drivers at West Michands Road-

ways, a subsidiary company, has had to back down and offer

only 10 per cent for fear of government sanctions. As a result, the drivers are on strike.

The company said last night:
"We had little alternative, because in such a diverse company as ours there are so many

ways in which sanctions can be imposed against us."

A much smaller private operator in the West Minitands, Brain Haulage, has, however, ignored threats of senctions and

settled on 15 per cent for 27

The West Midlands tradition

ally set the level for pay agree ments for Britain's million dri-

vers, and it would not take many settlements of that kind

become firmly established. The increase has not yet reached

the drivers pay packets.

The feeling among

Judges may specify the period of detention when the offerace, if it had been committed by an adult, would attract a prison sentence of 14 years

Botween 25 and 30 young offonders, aged between 14 and 17, convicted of serious crintes are being held in secure places in commun'ty homes. There are 136 such places available throughout England, with a further 113 approved or under consecution. They are chiefly occupied by young people in one of three categories: the severely emotionally disturbed, -who require a secure atmo-

government sarctions and are willing to settle at around 15

per cent. The pace may already have been set, and the Govern-

ment cannot expect help from the Transport and General Workers' Union, since the mion has rejected the 10 per cent figure for firms able and willing

Mr Rodgers, Secretary of

State for Transport, said vester-da ythat news of the 15 per cent figure was disturbing.

cent figure was distinuing.
"Such a settlement could have

the most severe consequences for the road harlage industry and for others as well. In my view, there could be no justifi-

cation for passing on costs aris-ing from it to customers."

A large firm of London

undertakers has agreed to give between £3 and £10 a week to 100 workers who should have settled under the £2.50-24 phase two limits. There have been

delays in funerals in some areas

The London Association of

meral Directors, representing

170 companies, mests today, Civil servants' protest: Union

leaders representing more than 100,000 middle-management

grades in the Civil Service last

night handed in a protest at 10

Downing Street over the but also because continued suspension of free more money to pay.

Direct assault on earnings limit

the Act retained what is some row steel framed windows the environment is ideal for a times called the "last resort." Some local authorities are said young serious offerder, but to have refused to follow such they can offer no atternative; allowing children convicted of serious crimes to be detained at the Home Secretary's discre-

Most children in such localfreely with the other inmates of the home for much of the

Advocates of that form of detention, including the Department of Health, point out that a big benefit is a one-to-one, or even greater ratio of staff to offenders in the secure places, thus ensur-ing close personal attention to the offender's rehabilitation. Others will regard any form

nowever serious his offence, as influman. The boy is spending the first part of his sentence at a local authority assessment

smaller hauliers is that they collective bargaining in govern-are relatively immune from ment employment (our Labour government sanctions and are Editor writes). The Society of

Civil and Public Servants wants

an unfettered return to the Pay Research Unit method of reach

ing wage settlements to keep pace with the outside industries, It is directening to table a pay claim of at least 20 per cent.

Council leaders' support: Local government leaders said yester-day, on the even of the joint

local government conference, that pay settlements must be within the Government's guide-

lines (our Local Government

and to keep within the guide-

lines in reaching settlements.

When the economy was

Because of the nature of his auchority homes are not offence his conviction has also offenders, but in need of care, called into question the wisting Luton boy convicted on dom of present methods of sex Monday, wherever he is even education. The Department of tually sent, will be able to mix Health offers no particular en-Health offers no particular guidefines for its reaching; the cation authorities and head-

masters.

The Health Education Council, which offers advice, suggests that sex education should be taught as part of general health education. The Schools health education. The Schools Council, which has recently issued guidelines of its own, suggests that it should be taught within the context of family relationships. The National Union of Teachers feels that such education is, on the whole, successful and should not be condemned because of isolated incidents.

and the educationists say does not after the fact that a boy of 12 is under lock and key, and no one, least of all himself, knows when he will be able to rejoin the outside world.

Rapist gets

Manchester

Motesi wonter was judied for life at Manchester Croyan Gourt last night for what Mr. Justice Caudicid described as Jaccaralogue of shocking crimes.

Roginald Chapman, used 30, of St Andrew's Way, Barratey, was found guilty of arrivates, two serious sexual offences, a robbery and type assentia.

The judge said: "Young women and said: "Young women and said: unescorted, were stracked in circumstances which I think were terrifying. All your crimes were committed in the dark and in many of them you armed yourself with a knife." Correspondent writes). The alternatives were either an extra burden for ratepayers or further reductions in council Mr Jack Smart, chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, told his members that their negotiators would try to be fair to staff

Mr Chapman continually interrapted the judge as sentence was passed. You have had a life sentence down since last-Wednesday", he shouted in one The prosecution's case was

allowed to expand there must be some addition to local that Mr Chapman had, terror-ized the Bernsley area. None of the victims, who had been blandfolded, could identify Mr Chapman, a married man, but he was stated to have made. government spending. Commander Duncan Lock, chairman of the Association of Dienter Councils, said that local government supported the Government's policy not only in the national interest statements to police admining all the assaults and to have written a confession. also because it had no

want quiet Anglo-Iris summit

From Christopher Walker

Angio-Irish diplomatic tions will face a severe c London today when Mr (han holds his first a meeting with Mr Lynch the Irish Prime Minister) tion victory in June. Although the two gements have widely diff

approaches to espects o Ulster crisis, senior officia tish intent to withdraw mit will be a low-key with couplings on imp economic cooperation the border. The Downing Street of sions are also expects cover the EBC, fishering the dispute over oil extion rights. Mr Callaghan be accompanied by Mr M be accompanied by Mr M
Secretary of State for h
ern Liveland, and Mr
Minister. of State at
Foreign Office. Mr O'Key
the Irish Minister for Fo
Affairs, will also take part.
The British side will
close attention to the exte
which Mr. Lynch emphi
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iong term declaration of tisk intent to withdraw Ulster. Turnal indications Dublin government so Suggest that that will no unduly emphasized for moment. But the Irish de tion is expected to express sides able disquiet about publical stalements in Northibland.

The talks will take pagainst a background renewed bitterness bery the main political grouping Ulster, with Reman Carl politicians looking to Fig Fail to press for some initiative on power-shall the Official Unionists repet their rejection of the idea letter sent to Mr Callagins weak.

Besst by economic diffi-ties and with campaign pr-ises to fulfil. Mr Lynch made little public comm about Northern Ireland si his victory. But he is une stood to be concerned ab repeated rumours that the I tash Gevernment and Us Unionist MPs have emp at Westminster. Britain eek renewed assurances t the change of government Dublin will not affect coops tion in security measu against the Provisional IRA, On Thursday Mr Lynch meet Mrs Thatcher and Airey Neave, the opposit spokesman on Northern I land, who has recen expressed disquiet at the la of political movement int

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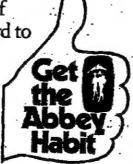
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'Daily Mirror' and companions might cost up to £50m

By Sheila Black and Christopher Wilkins

The Daily Mirrer, with its mpanions Sunday Mirror and he Sunday People, would probably cost a buyer between £45m and £50m. Despite the silence of the Reed Group parent company and the absence of any proposition concerning the possible sale of the newspapers, rival groups have been doing the sums and reaching similar totals.

The chief obstacle would be to find another British group

Associated Newspapers might cholders to raise the cash neight get senction from the mission if it promised to commission if it promises to leep the Mirror papers left-wing and in their present market sectors for some years. However, Associated and its

worth, have made clear that they would not wish to run left-Although foreign ownership is politically unpopular, there might be offers from abroad.

However, the Mirror group is different from other recently sold titles as it is not an ailing group for which the alternative is death.

Any potential buyer would be closely scrunized by Reed and the Government. The peris-

Akthorgh it might take man months to negotiate a deal, in need for the Reed Group to n duce borrowings has become particularly pressing. The was a leap of £80m in ner deb during the year ended has March, making the total £435a

Two court escapers caught in London

Two Italians who escaped rom. Themes Magistrates Court, Stepney, London, last Thursday have been recaptured by the police, Scotland. Yard said yesterday. The men, alleged to be involved in a £172m international fraud, niding in a north London

An orange car used in their escape was recovered at Heathescape was recovered at Heath-row airport after a telephoned sip to the police from Italy.

A third man, Luigi Torri, aged 43, a banker, is still at large. The two recaptured men are Umberto Frascati, aged 36, a bank manager, and Antonio Papalia, aged 32, an Italian Canadian.

A search began after the three men cut their way to freedom. Two others who escaped with them were recap-tured at once.

Munder charge

An unemployed man aged 28 is to appear at Bow Street magistrates' court, London, today charged with the murder of Mr Michael Turner, aged 31, a former television achir known as Michael Holden. Mr Turner died after an incident in a Mayfair public house on Friday.

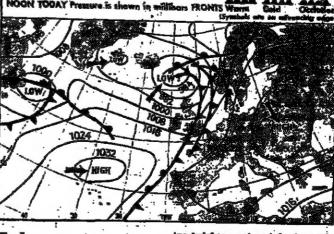
Crashed Spitfire found the war, has been found in a wood near Lilleshall, east Salop, with the body of the pilot, believed to be a Belgian, still

Royal removal

Removal men began shifting Princess Anne's furniture into her new home at Garcombe Park, in Gloucestershire yester-day. She is to move in after her baby is born.

Duke's visit off A visit to a Dunlop factory in Summingham by the Duke of Gloucester has been caled off

Weather forecast and recordings



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(44.9ft). Dover 12.14 am., 6.7m.

(21.8ft); 12.31 pm., 6.9m. (22.5ft).

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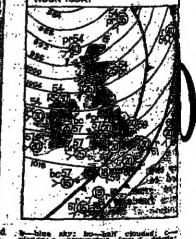
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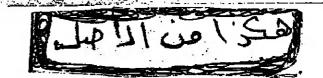
N Wales, NW and ME England Lake District: Cloudy, rain at first becoming brighter with showers: wind SW, veering W, fresh or strong; max temp 14°C (59°F). Central, Highlands, Argyll, NW cottland, N Ireland: Elustery howers, heavy and prolonged at mas; wind W strong or gale; ax bemp 12 or 13°C (54° or

Weather reports Yesterday medday:



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Science Editor

Whitchaven The risk of cancer from exposure to low doses of radiation has been underestimated, Dr Alice Stewart, an emment epidemiologist, told the Windscrie public inquiry yesterday. She suggested the risk may be up to 20 times greater than is now accepted.

The evidence to support Dr Siewart's belief also shows a variation in sensitivity to caucer from radiation at differeut ages. The age group 25-45 is least vulnerable. Her allegations came in a

paper presented jointly with George Kneale, a statistician Mr George Kneale, a statistician with the Regional Cancer Registry. Birmingham, is endeaver called by Sir Frank Layfield, QC, for the Town and Country Planning Association, which is opposing the application for a new £500m nuclear find semanacessing plant.

fuel reprocessing plant.

If the hazards are similar to those stated Dr Stewart, more substance must be attached to. the argumen that the risk to the peneral public by expansion at Windscale may be unacceptable. Not surprisingly, the new calculations are coming under heavy criticism, particularly from British Nuclear Fuels and the advisers to Cumbria County

However, Dr Stewart's and Mr Kneale's findings come from a continuing study that forms

nauonal safeguards against the

use of uranium and nuclear

weapons were "not worth the

Altgough I have worked in

part of the only large scale deaths, the Mancuso method is analysis would be achieved by survey so far of workers in the over 95 per cent accurate, and comparing the groups at Hanatomic energy industry, and to walch Dr Stewart, of Birming-

ham University, has been con-sultant epidemiologist. The project, called the Hanford survey, was started by Dr Thomas Mancusso for the former United States Atomic Energy Commission (now part of the Energy Research and

Development Agency).
The investigation embraces workers at the Hanford works, in Washington state, which is a much larger version of BNF's factories at Windscale, Cumbria. The survey is unusual in that,

although partly retrospective, if avoids the main disadvantages of such studies by relying en-tirely upon documentary evidence of radiation exposures and work histories compiled by operators who were legally obliged to keep those records. Also, unlike most retrospective surveys of industrial hazards. the Hanford data include all workers, whatever their subsequent fate.

For identification of causes of death, the survey relies on a system devised by Dr Mancuso in 1964, and made possible because all citizens of working age in the United States have a unique number—the social both their employment and health records, and every radiation worker wears a film hadre As a way of tracing male

spent nuclear fuel. Any nation determined to do so can make nuclear weapons, he said. Sir Mark was one of the

Safeguards against misuse of uranium

are not adequate, physicist says

Camberra. Sept 27.-Inter- from plutonium extratced from

paper they were written on.".

Sir Mark Oliphant, the Australian uclear physicist, told an of the atom in Britain in the

energy conference here today. years between the two world

"Although I have worked in nuclear physics and nuclear energy all my life, I cannot believe that power from uranium will be more than a passing phase in satisfying world energy needs, particularly as it is clear powerful nuclear weapons can be made wars.

In Australia, nuclear weapons and the mining of uranium are important political issues. The Government believes that uranium will improve Australian trade with the EEC and solve many Australian development problems. Adequate safeguards are claimed by the

the Hanford survey followed 30,000 employees for an average of 15 years, the longest for over 29 years.

Dr Stewart maintains that a survey of that size is necessary to detect a risk of the magnitude that she and her col-leagues found. This risk is described in terms of a "doubling dose", or the quantity of radiation that doubles the normal risk to an individual of getting cancer.

A doubling dose of 12 rads for all cancers has been calcu-twied in the new work. That is a very small dose for an indi-vidual working with radiation. She said that since their

were at variance with accepted estimates of the can-cer risk from low-level radiation, there must be some fault either in their data or in their statistical analysis. Indeed, the Windscale inquiry added yesterday to considerable and confusing statistical jousting, which was eventually cleared by Mr Justice Parker. He focused on the Hanford

data, which might provide some indication of the incidence of cancer that might be expected emong Windscale workers. The assessment of increased risk is calculated by examining the Hanford register and the national staristics. One argu-

Fraser Government justify im-

mediate mining. Sir Mark criticized the haste

to develop and sell Australia's energy resources abroad.
"Despite all that has been said there is no adequate safeguard against the illegal acquisition of

plutonium and nuclear weapons in a world where the internal

in a world where the internal
activities of nations are not
answerable to some sort of
world authority", he said.
The conference was organized
by Australia's largest mining
company, Broken Hill Proprietory, and attended by 200
scientists and engineers.—
Agence France-Presse.

from a vague suggestion that Windscale workers might be of higher than average social class, she said. However, the deficiency of deaths was so marked that add the workers would have to belong to professional and managerial classes to bave such

maning the numbers of cancer.

A second fault, which she sug

ested was more important, war

that the observed numbers of cancer deaths and all deaths

were significantly lower than the consistent limits. No explanation was offered apart

exposed to radiation.

a low death rate.
Vienna, Sept 27.—Dr Sigvard Ekhind, director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) criticized the enemies of miclear energy when he opened the agency's twentieth anniversary meeting on Monday. a low death rate.

Monday.

"It is significant that doubts about nuclear energy are generally limited to sections of the more affluent public in affluent countries," he said. There was no objection to the use of nuclear energy in developing or

socialist countries, headded.
Dr Eklund, aged 65, from
Sweden, was today appointed
director general of the agency
for a fifth consecutive term.—



Beauty in the eye of Mr Robin Archer, Cyclamen Society president, at the Royal Horticultural Society autumn show. Report, page 16.

Six men are bank charge

George Davis and five other men appeared before magis-trates at Highbury Corner, London, vesterday, amid strict security measures, accused of a £50,000 bank robbery. All were remanded in custody to appear at Lambeth Magistrates'

morrow week. They are charged with taking money from the Bank of yprus branch in Seven Sisters north London, last

Friday.

Before the court was Mr Davis. aged 36, of Beiton Way, Tower Hamlets; Michael Ishmael, aged 26, of Tidey Street, Tower Hamlets; James Robert Briggs, aged 43, of Laburuum Street, Hackney; Snephen Patrick Smeeth, aged 23, a furniture dealer, of City Road, Ishington: Frederick Davis, aged 46, of Church Hill Walk, Homerton: and Derek William Feistead, aged 31, of Lordon.

Clash on abstinence remanded on by alcoholism groups

By Our Health Services

concerned with alcoholism have bud a sharp disagreement over whether an alcoholic who over-comes his dranking habits can return to "controlled" drink

The Merseyside, Laucashire and Cheshire Council on Alcoholism in its annual report, Alcoholism in its annual report, published roday, says that some aicoholics have been, able to return to moderate drinking and more of them, especially those under 25, might be encouraged to seek help if something other than total abstinence tould be offered.

The National Council on Alcoholism in a statement today says that the report is untimely and could be damaging. The only safe and proven treatment for alcoholass was total abstin-

The report, it says, could lead only to confusion and would be totally misunderstood. The hypothesis that some alcoholics could return to controlled drinking was still under investigation and it was far too early to make public state-

Controlled drinking had been used in behaviour therapy with carefully selected alcoholics under the supervision of psychologists. The Merseyside organization report had drawn on highly controversial material which had been commissioned by the American Institute of Alcohol and Alcohol Abuse.

had said that abstinence must commoe as the prospective goal in the treatment of alcoholism The British report had not included that comment

The Merseyside report admirating that controlled drinking for alcoholics is a controversial matter. Mr W. H. Kenyon, executive director, agreed that there were difficulties and that there was no sure way of pre-dicting which alcoholics might become able to drink moder-Dr J. S. Madden, consultant

psychiatrist in charge of the Mersey Regionsi Alcohol and Drug Dependence Unit, says in the report that there is no doubt that some alcoholics do become able to drink in a moderate way. Research indicated that that was possible for between 3 per cent and 20 per cent of patients. In contemporary British soci-

ety abstention was in a sense conormal and difficult to maintain for atcopolics and non-

alcoholics.

A New Look at Alcoholism
(MLCCA, B15 The Temple, Dale
Street, Liverpool, L2 5RU, 509).

More woman drinkers: More women are running to drink, according to Home Office figures. Last year 14 per cent more women were found guilty of drunkenness in England and Wales than in 1975, against a 3 per cent increase among men. The highest incident of drunkcomess is among those seed 18, a Home Office report on drunk-

Selling rist becomes less may becomes a crime

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs Correspondent

New legislation on sumer safety proposed b Department of Prices and sumer Protection was ou at a London conference , day by Mr Fraser, the Mi

A big reform propos that there should be a star duty on those who put got the market to ensure, as reasonably practicable, the goods are safe n dwithou to health when properly breach of the duty wouldone a criminal offence. Under the Consumer pection Act, 1961, no offer committed, however dang the product, unless the h-is covered by regulation: leting to the particular of goods concerned.

The scope of the new ge day to ensure safety wou very wide but would not to all goods. Food won excluded. Enforcement be the responsibility of trading standards officers the consent of the Secreta State would be required b

any prosecution.
The Secretary of State also have power to approv published standards which his opinion dealt satisfact with safety aspects of any duct. Compliance with safety expects of the appression of the spiritual of the statutory duty and property and an absolute defeors ag-

prosecution. The Department would he seeking powers to pro-the seeking powers to pro-the sale or supply of inher-dangerous goods, and to of suppliers who have alr marketed hazardous pro-before the dangers are rea-to publish public warning. Mr. Fraser said he had chilled "somewhat religious

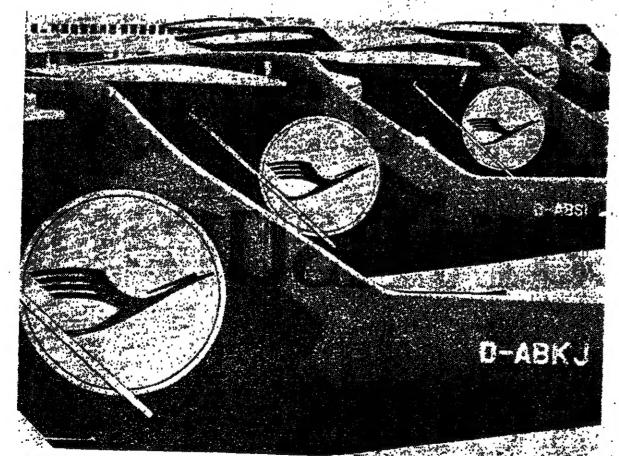
cluded " somewhat relucta not to introduce a system recall, similar to that in United States. "We do propose to interfere with eing civil liabilities ar reme in relation to defective or ar dous products."

Tugmen refuse to undock ship

Togmes at Milford Hi yesterday refused to undock Singapore-registered of ta receive adequate wages, or time and holiday pay. The ship was due to sail f the Gulf Off refinery jetty, the International Trans.

and Polynesism crew are re-ing only about half the ag-international pay rates.

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Register of social workers proposed

social workers and a general social work council with powers to remove people from the register are being sent to the main social services organiza-tions for comment.

. The proposals mark the first important step towards making social work a profession and

The proposed council would be set up by law and operate in a similar way to the General Medical Council (GMC). But there would be no question of social workers being unable to work unless they were registered, Mrs Sylvia Woolfe, chairman of the joint steering group which has produced a discussion paper on the issues, said yesterday. The proposed council would

The council would have the power to remove social workers from the register, for example, while complaints were being investigated", she said. "But I would not expect that to happen often, any more than it who would know that there was a body keeping a watch on

The steering group, set up earlier this year by the British Association of Social Workers, was asked to examine how social workers could be given some form of accreditation. It consists of representatives of consists of representatives of all the main professional social work organizations, with obserwork organizations, with observers from the Home Office, Department of Health and Social Security, and the Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work.

The proup believes that professional training must be seen as only the starting point. The next stage is competence in practice, which the group defines as the use, maintenance and improvement of knowledge.

and improvement of knowledge, skill and experience.

It suggests that social workers should be eligible for inclusion on a "register of inclusion on a "register of accredited social workers" only after two years under the guid-

does with the GMC. It will act ance of a senior, experied yesterday that the effect will be that eventually only the m

experienced and skilled so workers would be used on cases without supervision. In several recently public child death cases the so worker directly responsible been inexperienced attor usually well qualified. There two obstacles in the way achieving rapidly the principathat only the most experient and skilled social workers as handle such cases.

First, there is an over shortage of social workers, secondly, most are not profi-sionally qualified. Public spen ing restraints mean there little chance of improving the quantity or quality for son

The group envisages that the new council will take at least the five years to set up. It will not consider precise details of how it should be done until it meets in the new year.

Inquiry into the working of Parliament urged

By Peony Symon Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, has urged the Prime Minister to set up a royal commission on the functioning of Parliament and the role of MPs.

He is concerned about reports that unnamed MPs received retainers from the Peachey Property Corporation. Parliament was rightly regarded as the watchdog of our national in-titutions, he said, but it was now time for an independent and searching scrutiny of the watchdog itself.

"I think it is regrettably true to say that there is today wide-spread concern about the functioning of Parliament and the role of its members. I think we should recognize that public anxiety exists and can only be anxiety exists and can only be allayed by independent

The commission's terms of reference should include examination of the question whether MPs should be permitted to hold outside jobs or whether they should work full time on their parliamentary duries; whether they have adequate research aid and facilities for scrutinizing and criticizing the research aid and facilities for scrutinizing and criticizing the executive effectively; how far parliamentary procedure permitte, the effective operation of Parliament; the relationship between Lords and Commons; and the extent to which the powers of Parliament and its members are being circum. members are being circum-scribed by EEC regulations.

Busmen on strike

Minister justifies closure of 20,000 hospital beds

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent There was a net loss of about 20,000 beds in National Realth Service bospitals between the end of 1973 and 1976, Mr end of 1973 and 1976. Mr. Emals, Secretary of State for Social Services, said yesterday. In a speech to health and local authority employees in Manchester in which he vigorously defended hospital closures, he said the number of beds had been declining for 20 years of those lest about 16,000 were in psychiatric hospitals, since government policy was to get psychiatric patients out of hospital and into the community.

community.

The standard of care in the health service could be maintained only if surplus hospitals were closed and services regrouped more efficiently", he said. He saw no reason why

Suspended chief constable asks to retire

Mr Sharley Parr, suspended Chief Constable of Lancashire, who is due to face disciplinary

charges next month, is seeking permission to retire. Mr Parr. chief constable since 1974, was suspended on full pay in March and has since had his sixtieth birthday.

The suspension came after the report of an inquiry led by Sir Douglas Osmond. Chief Constable of Hampshire, into certain allegations against Mr Parr. Mr Parr satisfied the committee on

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philanthrophy that had out
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He assured his audience the he would agree to no closure the would agree to no closure the state of the health services provided. Sour press reports have given the impression that hospitations are evidence that the property of the health service is being redown and is doing less to health service is being redown and is doing les London hospitals open who we hospitals had be planned, built and opened areas of population growth

Summons over royal yacht for fishing boat Victor Ernest Rixon, aged

was accused at Plymouth Magi

strates' Court vesterday bringing his vessel too close ! the royal yacht Ernanuia during the Queen's jubilee visit to the South-west. He isalsu accused, of colliding with the mide sweeper IIMS Dittisham on the same day, August 6.

The hearing was adjourned until October 28 after the bench Three thousand businen in some matters but an independ-were told that Mc Rizon, of Sheffield and South Yorkshire ent solicitor later drew up Buckwell Street, Bretonick disciplinary charges which will plymouth, intended to plead and port of a pay claim yesterday. were told that Mr. Rizon, w Buckwell Street, Bretoneid

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touster which has risen to terro-ize his erstwhile master. Mr Izm likardo declared that Mr Callag-an has handed over the choice

an has handed over the choace of date of the next election to me. I that is so, the Prime Minister prior to tail me."

History would have to judge there the balance of party dramage lay. He cared much sore for the long-overdue emerance of the national interest at the proper standard of political ecision. The Liberals in vedeu, who were in a coalition overnment, were led by Mr Per himark, the deputy prime minimer, who had told him that the iggest problem of Swedish iberals was how to present their lentity as a party in the public tind when their work was subsequed with others. That was recisely the difficulty of which ritish Liberals must be conscious its week.

He said the recent Swedish

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its week.

He said the recent Swedish
iberal conference had discussed
its new role in which they found
tenselves and emerged with a
arper programme and renewed
buildence. The us do the same
tere at Brighton ", he declared.
Liberals had long felt that there
tould be fixed parliamentary
rus, subject only to the Covernem resisting the confidence of

liament. They had opposed the ertainty and unfairness which

it pleasing.

It was against that background that they had met in March to making the motion of so conficence tabled by the Leader of the ipposition. They knew their votes ould be decisive in bringing bout a third general election in three years, something that cartely anybody outside the Toryary, and only some inside, hought to be in the national interest.

literest. He had told his colleagues that he would raiber call off the whole idea of the part if, in the end, the party was going to divide part into one lobby and part into the other. They agreed that whatever lectsion was taken it should be a ollective one. They had taken their decision

They had taken their decision and he chanked all in the party for the necessarily speedy but efficient way in which haison throughout the party was con-

ducted.
Some people had fairly drawn ittention to the dangers of a political arrangement involving neither a coalition nor a subsequent electoral pact. Liberals were not inside the Government, and herefore some discretements did occur after a government policy jectsion had been taken. That happened over the petrol tax interesse.

rais should not exaggerate Liberais should not exaggrate what could be achieved by the milience of 13 MPs on a party of more than 300 MPs. Every day, Mr Steel said, he received letters some bostile to the agreement and others friendly to it, advising him to break it off if the Government did or failed to do such and such. The list of potential breaking points became enormous.

Conference notebook

Assessing the consequences of the agreement, Mr Sreed said there was no doubt they had lost some public support. Part of that was foreseeable, and inevitable in the short run.

The party had lost scarcely any parliamentary candidates or local or national officers. They had lost some members, but gained others. some members, but gained others.

Mr Sneel said the influence through "dis limited agreement" had so far been largely but not unimportantly negative. They had stopped nationalization and some tax proposels. They could and would oppose defence spending cuts that would take the country below its obligations to collective security in Nato. They had stemmed the flow of partisan legislation.

legislation.

There had been a positive influence too. They had made a considerable political contribution to national stability and recovery during the past six months. Under their influence the Government would introduce a Bill for direct elections to the European Parilament, recommending a proportional system.

He surrect that the system pro-

He agreed that the system pro-posed was not Liberal policy and was something of a concoction, but it would be used on only one occasion until the Community as a whole agreed on a rational, uniform system throughout

They faced the difficult task of getting the system adopted in both Houses of Parliament on a free what was really needed.

Mr Steel said that industrial relations in Britain were bedevilled by restrictive practices, antagoniam to new technology, go-slows, working to rule and unofficial strikes. "We are supportive of a democratic and free trade union movement and office it opportunities for responsible power for beyond the Labour confines of Bullock—as electors of board members, as works councillors, as shareholders in share-ownership schemes.

"But we are critically suppor-

Houses of Parliament on a free vote and they had a right to espect a substantial majority of Labour MPs to support the Government's recommendation. Liberals had often been the voice for European progress in Britain and they should be so again.

As for devolution, Mr Steel said the new package which the party had helped to create, while still falling short of the federal solution. Liberals would introduce, represented a substantial improvement, and this time Parliament would be free to discuss and vote on the case for proportional representation without opposition from the Government.

The greatest gain for the country

The greatest sein for the country from the agreement had been the new confidence and the path to economic recovery that had followed, with their support, during the past six months.

The economic outlook was much brighter than it had appeared in the spring. "The stark truth is that from 1973 to 1976 we had successive governments. Tory and Labour, presiding over this growing threat of disaster and failing to rectify it. But in these past few months we have provided political conditions in which it has been possible to start on the road to recovery. I do not believe it could have happened any other way."

Some critics, he said, had questioned "what is in it for the Liberal Party?" Would not Labour get all the credit at the next election? Having agroided the return of a demaging Tory government, were they not risking the return of an even more damaging Labour government? Those were too questions they had to answer.

The convert march of bureau-

about.

The public had been rightly ourraged at the riots ourside the factory and he had joined in the condemnation of those who had nothing to do with the dispute and whose presence resulted in violence and disorder.

Equally, they must condemn and apportion a share of the blame to those who encouraged an autocratic low-paying employer in prolonging, deepening and widening the dispute, not least Conservative politicians who should have known better.

Mr Steel said: "There is both on the left and right of politics today, a growing thirst for confrontation and for blaming the would be to break down the barriers to industry, housing and education which separate our

decide if they wished to give them that opportunity.

Voters should compare the period of Labous Government 1977-76, when the Liberal tail wagged the dog, to the period 1974-76, when the Tributes group wielded more influence than Liberals. He had no doubt which would prove the more successful and popular with the electorate. It was up to Liberals to argue forcibly and convincingly that a Liberal hold over a government was both healthy and desirable and that the electorate should seize the opportunity to increase Liberals influence and representation in Parliament. Their chances of arguing the case were stronger of arguing the case were stronger the greater the success they made

or arguing the case were stronger the greater the success they made of this agreement.

"We will enter the election", he told delegates, "not just as a party equipped with splendid policy pamphiers and an excellent history in government in the distant past, but as a party which has shown itself not afraid to roll up its sleeves and dirty its hands with some responsibility for the direction of national policy, and then made a good job of it.

He added: "The question is, have we the self-confidence as a party to make such: an appeal convincing. I understand many of the legitimate anxieties—of those who questioned the agreement we made, but I am certain that the one course which would prove totally fatal in our standing in the public eye would be for us to be dithering and hesitant now that we have embarked on this course.

"If we stopped now and said: "Oh dear, we've lost local elec-

this course. "If we stopped now and said!" Oh dear, we've lost local elections and the polls don't look too good for us, let's pull out', we should acquire and deserve a

sees party on 'suicidal course'

Mr Smith

By George Clark Political Correspondent

agreement had provided the subtion to all their problems.
Unemployment was still growing
and under the agreement for next
session the Liberals had put forward proposals to reverse the
appalling trend

The first had been accepted in

The Liberal Party had put for-

"But we are critically suppor-tive of trade unions. We cannot and will not, in joining with the trade union movement, owners

and management in a common quest for economic growth, give up our responsibility for those at work who are not and do not

wish to be trade union members."

It was also necessary to condemn bad employer practices and
assert that right which was fought
for and won decades ago: the
right of workers to combine
together in a union for their own
protection. That was what the
Grunwick dispute was originally
about.

people fato distinct warrang categories.

I propose three steps to break down the barriers in industry. First, I believe that the transition from a rigid pay policy should not be the total free-for-all of free-collective bargaining. The encouragement of genuine plant productivity deals in which employees get a direct share in the rewards from increased output should become the pattern for greater prosperity in the 1980s.

should become the pattern for greater prosperity in the 1980s.

"Second, we favour a total but calm and not hasty review of the whole framework of labour legisments which should include new measures to promote a genuine

measures to promote a gendine working partnership in industry. "Third, I went to see as part of a programme based on first creating and then sharing greater wealth, direct encouragement of

The Liberal Parry was set on a suicidal course by tying itself to the coar tails of the Labour Party, Mr Cyril Smith, MP for Rochdale, told a crowded meet-ing of Liberal assembly dele-gates in Brighton last night.

The first had been accepted in the aunouncement last week that Mr Harold Lever was to coordinate plans to help small businesses. Another was in the construction industry and they hoped that any expansion in the autumn would concentrate on proricting more jobs in labourintensive building work. Mr Street said he had called for a particular campaign on youth unemployment At the end of a powerful speech he said: "We must break the pact now. We must couer the next general election completely independent, and to that end the pact should not be extended even for one year; let alone the threatened two

campaign on youth unemployment and expected an announcement shortly. About eight hundred dele-gutes listened to his case against the pact. Some had criticized The Liberal Party had put forward detailed proposals now being considered by the Treasury for a steady and important shift in the burden of taxation off incomes, and had also asked for the reintroduction of the lower rate tax band, vital to help overcome the problem of many families who at present were better off on social security for part of the year.

Mr Steel said the biggest single long-term allment in Britain was the lack of output. Mere sloganizing about growth was not enough. He went on: "It is time we recognized quite blumity that we studi continue to be a failure as a country so long as we are governed both industrially and politically on the outdared confrontation attitudes of the class war." The Liberal Party was now telling the electorate what a sensible common ground was, what was really needed.

Mr Steel said that industrial his decision to attend a fringe meeting on the eve of the as-sembly debate on the pact and he had a persistent Cockney interrupter who suggested that he should have reserved his speech for the conference

speech for the conference today.

But Mr Smith has an effective way of dealing with interrupters. He explained that under the rules he would be allowed only five minutes at the full conference and he needed more time to deploy his argument. At the end he got an ovation and there were many cries of "Good old Cyril!".

On the platform with him were Lord Kimberley, the party spokesman on aerospace, Mr John Pick, chairman of the party's Industry pacel, and Mr Kenneth Vaus, who was until last December authoral chairman.

charman.
I got the impression from the large attendance and the response of the audience that when the of the audience that when the pact comes up for approval today Mr Steel and his parliamentary colleagues will not get the two-thirds majority for continuing the pact that the leader regards as necessary and it may well prove to be a close vote.

Mr Smith said: "Liberal MPs was necessary and the Parliament to were not elected to Parliament to be lobby fodder for the Labour

be lobby fodder for the Labour Party.

"How can you argue that you are the alternative to Labour if you are tied to them? How can you argue for Liberal policies if your whole strategy is based on preventing Labour going extreme, rather than saying that Labour is no good and the Liberals have the only real answers?"

He believed the Parliamentary Liberal Party had made a grave



Steel, the Liberal leader, was addressing the party assembly at The Dome, nearby.

done without entering any pact.
The reality was that the Govern-ment did not have a majority, and they would have to change their

policies in order 10 survive.

Mr Smith said the Liberal
Party had a great past and it
could have a great just and it
achieve it, we must fight fascism,
racialism, Conservatism, exremism and we must fight
socialism. It must be seen to be

to achieve, merely about how they should achieve it. He thought the absolutely basic condition that should have been

within a coalition.

He accepted that most of his colleagues in Parliament fought Conservatives as the alternative and he understood their point of view, but in Rochdale he had to fight Labour as the main challenge. If the Liberals saw themselves as the alternative radical party he did not think it wise for them to strengthen the party that was the other alternative.

In the discussions which Liberal spokesmen had conducted with ministers they had gained virtually nothing. "It was very clear to me that we were being used", hir Smith said.

All that was happening was that the Government were continuing

In any case, most of the socialists' plans and already gone through Purilament and ministers had in-ulcated that if the Labour Government was returned at the next general election they would con-muc with their socialist pro-

name with their socialist pro-position to the renewal of the pact known but he believed that it was essential for the whole party membership to be involved in the decision. He commund: "I am deeply

He continued: "I am deeply concerned that we should fight the next election as the alternative to Labour and not as a wing of the Labour Party. I utterly reject asking for the balance of power at the next election. I want to fight that election to win, and you do not win by conceding defeat before it is called or whilst it is in progress.

Firm vote for links with allies in Europe

By Hugh Noyes Parhamentary Correspondent

The Liberal assembly voted by large majorities to remain within the Federation of Liberal and Democratic Parties of the European Community: In a glorious confusion of motions and resulttions the first divisions of this year's Liberal gathering gave a massive vote of confidence to Mr

He had earlier appealed passion-ately to his followers not to disappear into the political wilder-ness but to fight the direct elec-tions for the European Assembly in concert with the party's allies in the federation.

But the assembly also passed Liberal position more clearl yand preamble will be submitted to the congress of the federation in November.

In a happy prelude to the im-portant debate today on the pact with Labour, Mr Steel swung the delegates behind him when he with Labour, Mr Sieel swong the delegates behind him when, he pleaded with the assembly out to adopt any rigid view of the internal political situation in France, which could affect the party's membership of the federation. That was potentially an organization of great methal strength for Liberalism on the Continent, Mr Steel said. Steel said.

Purists in the Liberal Purist argued strongly throughout the debate that certain parties, particularly the French Republicans, had managed to "sneak" themselves join the federation and were fer too right-wing for Liberal stemachs.

In a rousing finale. Mr Jeromy Thorpe said that while no Liberal norpe san that wante no morning party could ever be as pure as some delegates would wish, that was just one of the burdens tray would have to corry to their graves. It was no reason for belon squeamish over the purty's European allies.

Lord Beaumout pleaded assembly not to jepardies rela-tions with European Libert's because of what was happening in French politics, and he organ delegates not to be overcome by the discase of insularity.

The debate ended with a firm



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Leader 'ready for full coalition

Mr David Steel's daring celebra-tions of the Diessings in stability and economic recovery which he had flowing from the moment the Liberal tall wagged the dog" of the Labour Government so captivated his party assembly yesterday that delegates seemed not to notice some real innova-

not to notice some real introvations.

The leader was punctuated by 29
bursts of appliance, much chuckling
land only one jeer before being
given a standing ovation. Yet he
slipped past, the conference that
he was ready not just to pursue
the present "arrangement when
labour, but for a full coalition
"inside the next government"
and of whatever colour."

That should have provoked some
boos. Delegaces had spent so much
time guifawing at and cheering his
jibes against Conservatives that
the few I lobbied afterwards
queried whether he had ready
even half suggested a coalition
with the Tories.

with the Tories.

Delegates also seemed to miss the snappet of news that Liberal desires were being requited by the Chancellor's agreement to some consultative document on profit. at 52 minutes, the speech was rather compensions.

It may be that after years of

overimpressed by the articulateness of British speakers. But I thought Mr Steel's: an effective performance, and a distinct achievement not to pall at such length—particularly after lunch.

He came to vindicate himself, perhaps the only chance he will get before his party in time for the next election. He did so by taking the offensive after seeming briefly to come as a pentitent.

However unlikely he looked in that part, he cast himself as a statesman, concerned only with national interest and apprairies small-minded party concern even though he sympathized, he said, with party critics.

Given the apprehensions some have voiced over their peril, his was a bold summons to build on present for-time, arguing that the Liberal case for a continuing "bold over government" was "the stronger

Mr Steel had such a good recep-fion that a stranger might have suspected the house was "packed." Where were the purty's pervous nellies, where the young Liberal tigers of yore? Had those with no stomach for the

Certainly the portilest of his critics, Mr Cyril Smith, MP, was nowhere to be seen. There was not even an empty chair for him among the platform MPs constantly referred to as the 13, although his absence reduced them to a dozen. Mr Steel's pugnacity surprises omewhat. Some of his colleague had confided at a dinner-dance the previous night that he would

by Fred Emery

But Mr Steel chose the loftic nation's economy was not only better, the country also was being

urging applause But where Mr Steel faltered he said that they should not erag-gerate what could be achieved by the 13 Liberal MPs. His reference

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by year end, minister By Our Agricultural pledges

By a Staff Reporter Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, made an unqualified prediction yesterday of 13 per cent inflation by Christmas. "The Retail Price Index will show that the retrospective year-on-year rate is down to about 13 per cent, he said. Speaking at a conference of

the Food Manufacturers' Federation in London, he said: show that the current inflation rate is even lower. That would still not be good enough, he went on, because national economic problems would not be solved until Britain's inflation rate was as low as that of her industrial commentions.

her industrial competitors.

"The target for 1978 must be single-figure inflation", Mr Hattersley said. "Another year of sensible wage settlements will ensure that all the eco-nomic forces are pulling in the anti-inflationary direction throughout next winter and

that industrial confidence was fragile, Mr Hattersley said: "One of the problems British industry is that it needs certainty more than other indus-tries do. I think industry will be better when entrepreneurs fulfil their traditional function, which is to take risks."

Two store groups announced price cuts on instant coffee yes-terday in Mr Hattersley's campaign to mitigate the impact of the next price rise by curbing profits. Woolworth said it would reduce a four-ounce jar of Nescafe and Maxwell House coffee by 51p to £1.131p. Inter-national Stores will cut Nescafe by 8p to £1.16.

Exam standards ' have not fallen '

Mr Richard Bothy, Conserva-tive MP for Boston with Holland, has received a grade C pass at O level in English literature after taking the examination in response to criticism of educational stand-

He said the questions were set out quite clearly, so that short cuts could not be taken. "My impression is that standards have not got too much to worry

13% inflation EEC approves lower wheat seed standards

Agricultural Supply Trade Association (Ukasta), said: "A request was put to Brussels Ministers said yesterday that they had won EEC permission to reduce germination standards for permission to market 10,000 tonnes of winter wheat at 30 per cent germination. We hope this relaxation of the standard will ease the flow of for wheat seed. The move was necessary to avoid a seed shortage after crops in much of Britain had been damaged by seed on to farms." Mr Martin George, a vicepersistent rain at harvest time. The Manistry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said sales would be allowed until mid-November of first and second president of Ukasta, said supplies of home-grown wheat

suitable for milling might reach generation winter wheat seed with minimum germination of the average of about 1.8 or 1.9 million tonnes a year. "They may take that amount, but they will be jolly lucky if they do.", "Normally, wheat seed must have a germination of at least The association believed that 85 per cent in order to be marketed", a ministry official said. "This year germination levels have been affected by the

in quantity the 1977 grain harvest would establish a clear record of more than 16.5 million tonnes. The main reasons were the large rise in barley sowings, better plant breeding and better weather than in the previous prolonged wet weather of recent weeks, and insufficient supplies are coming forward at the normal level."

Mr John Fotheringham, presi-Mr John Fotheringham, president of the United Kingdom



Mr Jenkins suggests radical new food policy

Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the EEC Commission, came to London yesterday to propose replacing the common agricul-tural policy with one closer to the precepts of the Treaty of Rome and more radical than many of the reforms suggested by consumer and commercial

lobbies.
"It has often been said that me consumer should have a greater say in the fixing of prices under the CAP, he told members of the Food Mannfacturers' Federation. "I strongly share that view." The word in his written text.

He soon showed that his vision of a new policy went far beyond crude revence for years

vision of a new policy went far beyond crude revenge for years of dominance by farmers.

There were three main elements in his plan. First, he wanted to abandon the system of assessing the ability of farmers to produce and then providing expensive machinery to absorb the surpluses they were paid to accumulate. He wanted food needs to be assessed in terms of likely demand.

"I do not think it is very useful to polarize the issue in terms of consumers always wanting the lowest possible prices and farmers wanting the highest possible incomes", he said. "We need to look at the question more in terms of what question more in terms of what food supplies Britain is likely to require in the next five or ten years, and what pattern of agricultural production and prices is needed to fulfil that

need."

The commission had already persuaded ministers to awar increases in farm support far below rises in costs. It was about to propose changes in beef support that would bring price benefits to consumers in times of surplus without weakening guarantees to farmers.

The second part of Mr Jenkins's plan was the climina-tion of "green currencies", the devices by which EEC farm prices are expressed in cash to farmers in each member country. That would end the mone tary compensatory amounts by which shop prices of food are held down at the expense of

form incomes.

Thirdly, Mr Jenkins wented to widen policy-making debate in Brussels beyond form minisin Brussels beyond farm mini-ters. "In the past, consumers, food manufacturers and indeed finance ministers have not always succeeded in bringing their proper influence to bear on the agricultural decisions", he said.

Taken individually, the three

Taken individually, the three proposals are not revolutionary. But a common agricultural policy to which they had all been applied fully would bear little resemblance to the present one. National food policies would also be overturned.

Mr Jenkins showed that the commission has accepted the British food processers' demand

British food processers' demand cular 9/77, Stationery Office, policy should be replaced by a 15p).

Balloonist Archbishop: The Archbishop of York, Dr Stuart Blanch, about to take his first trip in a hot-air balloon yesterday. He is believed to be the first archbishop to travel in such a fashion, and floated safely into a meadow after an 18-mile flight. Dr Blanch, who is aged 59, said: "It was an exhilarating experience and the view over my parish was breathtaking."

Importance of community aid to leisure

By a Staff Reporter The success of an experiment to improve culture oppor-runities in four contrasting areas of Britain is to be stu-died in a series of regional conferences this winter. A report published yesterday

The four experimental teams equipment for sports groups

International

Oenological

Equipment Exhibition

took place in Stoke-on-Trent, Sunderland, Dumbarton and Deceide, all chosen because of

says that a small amount of centres. Local authorities and money can greatly increase leisure activities if voluntary organizations and local schools and buildings are used handicapped

set up in 1973 managed with provided, outdoor recreation only film to mount 400 pro- centres converted and theatricentres converted and theatriopen their doors in the even-ing for informal painting potpery or music sessions. Leisure and the Qulaity Life: a report on four local experiments (Stationery Office, Vol 1 52.75; Vol II 58). Leisure and the Quality of Life

Reuters man resigned over management reshuffle

By a Staff Reporter cally an editorial man but lat-Mr Jonathan Fenby, aged 34, terly Reuters' manager in seepood baffled yesterday by Lanin America and the Carib-the management restricte at bean. Mr Jack Henry takes Reuters, which has led to his over as editor of the world Returns, which has led to his over as edinor of the world resignation from the rapidly service.

Expanding news agency, where he was editor of the world service. Details of the changes appointment of Mr Ian Capps, were given briefly in The Times yesterday.

At Reuters' headquarters in Nouth America, whee Reuter ries on the general manager, said that Mr Fenby's decision to cines 25 years ago. The every

son, the general manager, said that Mr Fenby's decision to resign had been personal. The company had decided to appo are an editor-in-cluef to coordinate all editorial operations, involving general news and to be more flexible and to meet more flexible and to meet more after.

alternative post, which Mr Nel-son described as "good". But Mr Fenby had refused it.

utive committee has been reduced from eight to five

In those circumstances it was considered desirable that Remers had increased its turnmr Fenby should not continue over from £11,986,600 in 1971 as editor of the world service, and he had been offered an alternative post, which Mr Neling more of its services and increased its turnover from £11,986,600 in 1971 to £41,921,000 last year by selling more of its services and increasing new ones.

Independent radio in 15 new areas proposed

Authority, which said it almed to service areas where no local radio developed from existing franchise mow exists, is to select six or eight from the list as the first pairs of small stations. It plans batch to be developed "with all possible speed", according to the processible speed", according to the product local radio station effective tor general, Sir Brian, Young.

The BBC is also working on a priority list of stations shich it published yesterday covers Bourne-noves will be given the go-shead mouth, Cardiff, Tayside, Aberdered the Annan report.

Circ Belon and imbanasticant rail. heartening.
The financial prospects were good, with net advertisement.

read in the comparable period list year.

The IBA is also proposing that associate "stations should be developed from existing franchise area; as well as the twinning of pairs of small stations. It plans to create a new style of independent local radio station effering experience areas areas. Norwich, a site in west Yorkshire such as Huddersfield, Peter-burough, Southend, Gloucester/ Cheltentum, Exeter/Torbay, and the western side of Northern incland.

Newspapers bought

The Reading Newspaper Company, one of the eldest independent newspaper pub-lishers in Britain, has been bought by Argus Press, which owns newspapers in the Home Councies and some national

Labour HQ appeal

Labour Party officials yester-day launched a £1-a-brick appeal to find £1,500,000 for a new party headquarters near the Elephant and Castle

Pact, it was far from being the nice, tidy killer that some people portrayed, he said.

It was essentially a nuclear weapon. Once it had been used, Workshops plea for autistic the West would have crossed A plea for nearly normal a threshold behind which it could no longer retire. "It is a new dimension of warface autistic children not to be sent for care in mental subnormality hospitals has been made by the National Society for Autistic

Children. In a report entitled So Near, and Yet ... the society recom-mends more workshops and communities for the children to WEST EUROPE



Royal christening: Two kings, two queens and a president were among the 700 guests who attended the christening yesterday of Princess Victoria Ingrid Alice Desirée, firstborn child of King Carl Gustaf of Sweden and his German-born wife, Queen Silvia. The ceremony took place in the palace chapel in Stockholm and was performed by Arch-

bishop Olof Sundby. Among the royal guests were King Olav and Crown Princess Sonja of Norway, Denmark's Queen Dowager Ingrid and Princess Benediktine, the Swedish Prince Zertil and his British-born wife Princess Lillian, and the Belgian royal couple, King Baudonin and Queen Fabiola. Finland was represented by President

French Premier thanks Gaullists but makes no concessions

Paris, Sept 21 The Gaplist

reference opened in interior today with a stdra if stirring message from M Barre, the Prime Minister, and against the background of the civil war being waged in the Union of the Left.

cow made is impossible for of the Government", he said him to attend the conference, in his message.

Turning his attention to the message for supporting the economic and financial policies of the Government with their votes, policies of which they do not wholly approve. But his expression of thanks was tow supple evidence that the left-wing parties lacked the ability to govern together.

These events have begun to modify the political scene pro-Government has not

deviated from its determined has not deviated from its determined. No group can be more aware line for a year, he said of this profound change than "Despite the pressures from the Gaukists. They have grown all kinds of different interests strong by standing fixedly and the temptations which are created here and there during menare of the Union of the an election period." M Jacques Left. To them there has been

con- the economy needs to be enton expanded if the economic difficulties are to be overcome. Clearly M Barre is not to be influenced by such suggestions. "The electoral term must not prevail over the national and international realities which alone must inspire the actions

"These events have begun to modify the political scene pro-foundly."

Chirac the Gaulliat leader, has no difference between Socialist suggested more than once that and Communist. They have poured soom on the belief of President Giscard hithic blocks, and that a centre nation, divided in two mono-d'Estaing that France is not a coalition including Socialist beliefs is possible.

The falling apart of the Union of the Left undermines the Gaullist philosophy. By his stand against Comstrong stand against Communist pressures, M. Missecand, the Socialist leafler, has given the lie to many of M. Chirac's arguments. It will be increasing to see how pragmatic the Gaullist leader will be when he addresses the conference on Thursday.

Thursday.
Messwhile M Mitterend has been preparing for a press conference tomorrow, when he
will break his salence on the
issues that led to the break
down of talks to find a common programme of the left
last week.

Scientists if pi establish firmer tests of paternity From Our Own Correspondent Bonn, Sept. 27 The existence of au air

perfect method of proving disproving the paternity child has been disclosed It is based on the

nation of between 150 and different factors in the be including elements in its bein and enzyme come which are now inown to manus are now inown to herefutary. Professor Hang, mann Hoppe, of the West man central blood trensfusione, told the congress.

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Professor Hoppe said a general public was pnaws that such an accurage medical that such an accurate method which has been built up 10 years, existed, particular should this ", he said.

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Soviet trip brings political Madrid policeman shot deal benefits to M Barre

Prom Charles Hargroce pared to the trade total in the five years up to 1575 to No sconer is he back from his successful trip to Washington then M Raymond Barre, But M Barre's visit is much ton then M Raymond Barre. But M Barre's visit is much the Prime Minister, is off more important than its osten-

mission" set up after General near year. This will strengthen de Gaulle's ground-breaking his image as a statesman when journey to Russia in June, the election campaign begins

journey to Russia in June, the electron rent year.

But this is only a pretext.

The commission's meetings are Frenchman than the Prims presided over by the finance Minister's personal image. Is ministers of both countries, and M Barre, who combines the premiersing with responsibility for finance, decided to go himself rather than leave it to M Robert Boulin, the minister delegate.

In electron wore important to finance is evidence the visit provides of the Soviet Union's assessment of where its best in the French electrons.

M Barre is assured of a warm welcome and his meeting the second control of the secon

again tomorrow, this time to sible purpose. At home his golitical stature will be consultated by the journeys to Washvisit is the annual meeting of ington and Moscow and by his the Franco-Soviet "grand comprojected visit to China early

ter delegate.

Trade, of course, will be discussed. M Barre's visit coincides with that of 20 representatives of the French employers' federation and this is evidence of Soviet intention to expand trade with France.

The goal of trebling the river and leading the country volume of goods by 1979 com-

Rome arrests as housing scandal is exposed

Rome, Sept 27.—Police not carried out because he i for three more today in a housing scandal reported by the city's Communist administration and involving its predecessor.

The scandal was reported to the control of the co

three city policemen and fits other city employees who elle-gedly helped some citizens to get undue priority in the pro-vision of publicly built, low-

By Henry Stanhope

Defence Correspondent

Peter Hill Norton, former chairman of Nato's military committee, yesterday expressed his opposition to the neutron bomb as a Nato weapon system.

Despite its superficial attrac-

tion as a means of redressing the imbalance in armour between Nato and the Warsaw

have occurred more than a year ago, when the city of Rome was run by Signor Giulio Andreotti's Christian Demoget undue priority in the provision of publicly built, lowrent housing.

An arrest warrant against took over as Mayor after last
still another city employee was

Admiral opposes neutron bomb for Nato

need for Britain or France to have one, because I am not sure

His chief concern was that

be kept as high as possible, which could only be done by reversing the growing disparity between the conventional forces of East and West.

"There is no doubt that the Russians are just as keen as I

in Barcelons from the on-known Anti-Fearit Revolution-ary Organization of Spain claim-ing responsibility for the killing. The Anti-Fascist Revolution ary Patriotic Front (Frap) Dutch search

canals for kidnap gang The Hague Sept 27.—Heav-ly armed Durch police are

searching the country's water-ways, for an overdee hired yacht that may have on hoard Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, the West German industrialist, and is kidnappers.

More police are searching West German cars along the 200 mile border with West Ger-

many.

"We have a pretty good reason to believe Schlever is being held here," the Justice Ministry said. "Do you think a massive search for him if we Officials said they were searching for a yacht hired by West Germans but not returned on the day it was due

latest defence cut, had accurately reflected Nato opinion.
Despite the understanding of Britain's economic position any further reductions would be very ill-received ardeed.

When Sir Peter was questioned.

tioned about the way in which

flout the Montreux Convention

list year by bringing their new accraft carrier through the Dar-danelles, "disguised" as an anti-submarine cruser, he ad-mitted that he was in a difficult

As Vace-Chief of the Nava Staff in London several years

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OBSCENITY AND What do you think?

film censorship What do you think The Rome Seirciny has appointed a Committee to look lube the laws on obsessity, indeeding and violents in publications, displays and enterimments that not in telephone to radio) and the arrangements for film consoving in Ingigad and Wales. The Committee would welcome readers views.

Sand your community now to Jan Davey, Committee on Obsessity and Film Consoratip, Dept 15; Homs Office, Queen Ame's Gan.

Russians are just as keen as I am that Nato conventional forces should be strong because they know that that is the best way of keeping this nuclear threshold high? he said. This view was now yadely held within Nato and in the capitals of member countries. If every member country allocated an additional one kaif of one 1 per cent of its synes. that we do not want to go into ", he told the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London. ago he had himself invented the term "through deck cruiser" to describe Britain's letest class of Sir Peter also seriously doubted the value of a European cruise missile, except as a possible successor to Polaris of one 1 per cent of its gross national product to defence, or aucraft carriers because raised its defence spending by 10 per cent, "we should be home and dry". orby sensitive after the Govern-ment's decision not to build any more. The Soviet Union's Kiev-lodged very similar, he acknowsave them from such hospitals. as a British strategic deterrent. It was not a magic wand but a In that content it puzzled a ot of people in Nato why scream should be reducing its More Home News, page 11 terribly expensive toy of doubt-ful real value, he said.

on execution anniversary Madrid, Sept 27. Political fanations shot a the five who were ensure police captain dead here today, two years ago belonged to fanation by firing squad of five newspaper to say that it is political activities.

The murder, at point-blank range, was garried out shortly after a Cortes (partiament) committee (agreed to debate the granting of a total amnesty for politically motivated crimes of violence.

The committee Economic Florence of the committee of

which was carried out short before the death of Genes France. A demonstration memory of the five has be called for leter this evening.

suedas Carretero, was shot in the back of the neck, near his home in the working class suburb of Carabanchel. Soon after the murder, arm captains overs meeting herest captains yers meeting here a discuss the situation and point patrols were strengthened. The murder has caused discontent in the police, who are alread under increasing criticism, particularly from the Socialists for their slow adaptation to the return of democracy in a special section. Six hours after the murder, the semi-official news agency Cairs received a telephone call

Corsican guerrilla chief surrenders

Simeoni, the Corsican guerran leader, surrendered here todays a spr 1 A after more than a year state muli serice hiding. M Simeoni disappeared after a min in the guerrillas seeking Cornical a discussion of the suronomy blew up a wine ware to house and fought a gum battle with police in August 1976.

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Cientist Dr Owen warns South African Stablish Government against supporting f not be Salisbury if peace deal is rejected paten rom Michael Leapman New York, Sept 27

Dr David Owen, the Foreign ecretary, warned South Africa oday against continuing to sus-ain the white administration in consider the conditions of the United Nations peace package.

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vere maintained.

"If the negotiations over the negotiations over the thick the Security Council which the Security Council in fould enforce", he said, "the world would not allow South in latics to continue in the face that a settlement to suspense it was a settlement to suspense in the security of the settlement to suspense in the security of of his sain an obdurate, illegal regime of his sain an obdurate, illegal regime of his sain an obdurate, illegal regime of lines of give up power."

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Dr Owen at the United Nations yesterday.

Chinese from using their vetoes in the Security Council tomor-

The appointment of a United Nations representative is only the first stage of the gradual the first stage of the gradual approach to the question which Dr Owen is adopting. He describes it as tackling hurdles one at a time and making sure they are not too high to be cleared. The highest hurdle will be when the whole peace package has to come before the Security Council. His warning to the South Africans today was

TV interviews show up Rhodesia Premier's evasions

Mr Smith persists in ambiguity

By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent

session. He is convinced that there would have been strong

pressure from all quarters—not

against South Africa had the

initiative not been under way.

focus of growing tensions. There is at the moment a con-

trolled anger amongst the

"The risk that this anger

will develop into urban vio-

lence is considerable. Those of us here in the United Nations who uphold the essentially peaceful values of pluralist

Dr Owen went on: "As a

world community we are, over

majority of the population.

Britain is expected to go to the Security Council today to ask for the appointment of a United Nations representative to carry forward negotiations for the criticism of Britain over Rhodesia which would otherceasefire in Rhodesia. wise have been expected at this

This is an extremely important step because, if approved, it would mean that the whole question of Rhodesia's future would be passed over to, or at least shared with, the United Nations. The parallel with the problem of Palestine in 1947 is His speech to the General Assembly this afternoon dwelt long on southern African affairs, "Southern Africa", he said, "over the next few months and years will be the suggestive, even if not historically exact.

An enormous effort has been made by British diplomacy to smooth the way at the Security Council. The declaration by the presidents of the "front line" African states at Maputo last eekend appears to offer sufficient African support for the British plan to give it a chance, and so head off a Soviet veto

The prospects are thus fairly standards that I have referred are interviewed on very delicate to. And I have been assured issues of policy, but it does not that the that there are ways and means make the task of pinning Mr The difficulties that the United Nations representative,

and Lord Carver, the British Commissioner-designate, will face in dealing with Mr Ian Smith, however, are not to be underestimated. They have been interestingly highlighted again this week in the again this week in the ambiguity of the Rhodesian Prime Minister's public statements.

Take the crucial question of one man one vote, is Mr Smith for it or against it? In an interview last Friday with Mr Brian Walden for Weekend World, shown on television on Sunday, Mr Smith was asked whether he was now coming to the point where he might accept the idea.

He replied: "Yes, with the proviso that I would like to know what the alternative ideas Pérhaps such ambiguities are are for preserving the kind of to be expected when politicians

that there are ways and means of doing this." Then in a BBC interview

filmed on the same Friday and night, he replied to the identical question: "No. Fre made it clear that we are opposed to that sort of thing, we believe we should have qualifications in order to try to maintain decent standards in government. think we have consistently stated this, this is nothing new and I am still of this opinion. Mr Smith went on: "Unfor-

tunately . . . whether we like it or not whether it is correct or not, the rest of the world has made up its mind that it wants to impose a democratic system in Rhodesia", implying that—under pressure—he would

consider universal franchise.

Smith down any easier.

Another instance of obfusca-tion was Mr Smith's comment in the BBC interview that he was surprised by the proposals in the White Paper on dismant-ling the Rhodesian security forces, because Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, had not gone into this in their talks with him. Yet as Dr Owen pointed later in the programme. coul danyone seriously suppose that he would have passed by such a crucial issue, which has indeed been argued over for

weeks past?
The impression which Mr Smith has given in his most recent meetings with British officials is of a man who has not yet made up his mind. That why, on doubt, he is seeking clarification of parts of the White Paper.

The aircraft, a DC8 on a flight from Tokyo via Hong-kong, was coming into land at Kuala Lumpur when it lost

17 killed as

airliner

flames

crashes in

From Our Correspondent

and burst into flames.

Knala Lumpur, Wednesday

A Japanese airliner with 69

passengers and 11 crew crashed into a rubber plantation about

20 miles north of here last night

At least 17 people were killed, a spokesman for Jupan Airlines (JAL) said. Forty-six

people were reported scriously

radio contact. Then cam ea distress followed by silence. Shortly free that the captain of Mulaysian Airlines jet reported sighting a huge ball of fire There was a thunderstorm over the city at the time and

the torrential rain hampered A fireman said the aircraft broke in two on impact and the forward section erupted in

flames.
Helicopters took the survivors from the crash site into a make-shift field hospital at the air-

A spokesman for the airline

A spokesman for the airline said there were 54 Japanese and 15 other nationals among the passengers.

One survivor told the Japan Broadcasting Corporation that the jet crashed just after an announcement: "We are now arriving at Kuala Lumpur International airport."

turn a state away from insti-rutionalized racialism. It will not be achieved overnight but to the South Africans today was directed at influencing their reit must be achieved." In the first part of his speech he was critical of the United Nations' record in the field of action to that later phase of the operation. Dr Owen believes that the face of the Anglo-American peacekeeping.

Lebanese await troops

to ensure peace From Robert Fisk

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Jouaya, Southern Lebanon

It was a middle-aged woman who showed least faith in the countries reseased in southern Lebanon today.

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"Pm leaving, whatever they ay about a ceasefire", she said. ebanese Army arrive."

Many of her neighbours did

Many of her neighbours did

not share her immediate fears: he local restaurant owner stimated that a thousand of

atimated that a thousand of labatea's four thousand phabitants had returned to their homes since the ceasefire book effect yesterday morning.

But few people could have the truce agreement, units of the Lebanese regular army were the trucked to move into southern upposed to move into southern ebanon; not a Lebanese a very supplied to the coasefire could be found today a very supplied to the Litani river.

According to me ceaseries greement or at least the various of it broadcast by the stable radio yesterday the moved the substances Army will be moved the substances and military positions particle and military positions. to the zin patrols and military posi-The Beirut press gave this norniog but throughout the in the hills around Nabatea. Jouana, Tribe, Khiam and Your

[bail remained silently in their Tron Total State positions. The truce has held so far-A few shells landed near an Israeli settlement last night, but save for an occasional distant sonic boom from a high shrinde jet aircraft; the front lines between the Palestinians and the Israeli-supported Lebanase Christian forces have remained

eaceful. Yet there was no sign of any Lebanese Army convoy on the roads south of Beirut today and already one can sense the feeling that this particular ceuse-fire is somewhat more fragile than the amborities would like one to believe.

For a start, the Palestinians insist that they are not taking part in a ceasefire. As one of the lieutenants commanding the southern sector from a village headquarters here in Jouaya put it this afternoon: What have we won to make us prepared to 'accept' a cessefire? The Israelis came and the Israelis left. Why should we stop fighting? We are not fighting at the moment ere not fighting at the moment but that does not mean we are shiding by the ceasefire. We are only holding our fire because they are no longer shooting at us."

This dangerous argument the Palestinian information services in Bairut, serves only to anger the Christians along the border. They were demanding today that the Palestinians positions.

Mr Pierre Gemayel, the Christian Phalangist leader, went further and made some widely publicized remarks to the effect that a Palestinian withdrawal of between 10 and 15 miles—the distance proposed under the earlier Chrawa agreement—would not be enough.

Mr Found Bourtos, who is both Foreign and Defence Minister in the Lebanese Cabinet, said today that there was no timetable for army intervention, but the Americans have presumably been given some assurances on the matter.

The Pulestinians at least acknowledge that the Israelf tanks have left Lebanon.

Briton is named in spy uerrilla chi trial in Tanzania

Dar es Salaam, Sept 27.—A
Compared Tanzanian intelligence
Juma Thomas 2 agent, Juma Thomas Zangira High Court here to charges of pying for a foreign power and

sabotage.

The court was told that since 1971 he had passed prejudicial information to a man identified

information to a man identified as John Wilson, of Parkside, Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, England.

Mr D. S. Meels, prosecuting, said Mr Zangira had been gathering and passing information about Tanzania and several African nationalist movements, including the two Rhodesian guerrilla groups, the Zimbabwe African People's Union and the Zimbabwe African rational Union.

Zimbabwe African stational Union Other organizations included the African Unity Liberation Committee the African National Congress of South Africa, the Pan Africanist Congress (South Africa) and the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo).

Mr Zangira, who was arrested in July, worked as a tour guide from the Kilimanjaro Hotel in Dar es Salaam.

"Information sought centred on espionage and sabotage". Mr Meela said. "Such information was prejudicial to the safety of this country. He alleged Mr Zangira had received about 30 letters from Mr Wilson between 1971 and 1977 and submitted an unknown

1977 and submitted an unknown number of reports.

Police testified that they found letters from Mr Wilson in a search of Mr Zangira's flat. They quoted one letter from Mr Wilson as saying: "It requires much skill to get news which is secret ... not for newspaper. reporting." They said another letter from Mr Wilson asked Mr Zangira to write on the effect of Chinese write on the effect of Chinese influence in Tanzania.

If convicted, Mr Zangira faces a maximum sentence of

life imprisonment It is the second spy case in Tanzania's post-independence history. In August 1973 a British freelance photographer and former army captain, Percy Cleaver, was jailed for three years after being convicted of collecting information prejudi-cial to Tanzania-Reuter and

Carter aide in London for top-level talks

President Carter's parional OB CL Downing Street yesterday with CL Of Mr Callaghan, the Prime Minisar Callaghan, the Prime Minister. Mr Brzezinski had talks lent Giscard d'Estaing. Later vesterday he flew to Botm for alks with the West German

American officials declined

Government.

Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski, to say anything about the visit resident Carter's pational and British officials described its purpose as a review of inter-national affairs.

There was no doubt of the significance ministers attached to the talks, however. Before he saw Mr Callaghan, Mr Brzezinski lunched with Sir John Hunt, Secretary to the Cabinet, and Sir Michael Palliser, Head of the Diplomatic

guerrillas fled and 20 recruits trousers. The recruits took dier and three African civilians From Our Correspondent were killed, two wounded and 11 capturedcover under trees when the security forces were seen. This Salisbury today. The incident was being investigated.

democracy will come under growing challenge to support violent change. . . If we turn our backs on the path of peace—a path which still lies open—then once again the barrel of a gun will be seen to wield more power and influence then reason." Salisbury, Sept 27

Rhodesian security forces yesterday killed 20 black guerrilla recruits in a group making their way to Mozambique, the Rhodesia Ministry of Combined Operations announced today.

South Africa, attempting to change human behaviour, to It said a guerrilla gang had mustered a party of recruirs in the Mangwende tribal trust land in eastern Rhodesia and was escorting them to the bor-der when the party was intercepted by security forces. In the ensking battle the

The ministery said the incident illustrated the folly of blacks accepting guerrilla promises of safe conduct to Mozania.

education".

There had been previous cases of guerrillas fleeing and leaving their unarmed charges to bear the brunt of security

Not only were the recruits dressed in standard guerrilla "civilian" blue denims, but the women were instructed to wear

was standard practice by guer-rilles, and it was in this situa-tion that the contact took place and 20 people were killed. A total of 147 terrorists bave

now been reported killed by security forces in one of their most successful months in the five-year war. So far this year 1,161 guerrillas have been shot as well as many black civilians alding and assisting them

Later the Ministry of Defence announced that an African sol-

20 'guerrilla recruits' killed in ambush by security forces were injured in two explosions in the Cranborne barracks in

> Call-up bonus: A bonus scheme designed to increase the size of the Rhodesian security forces was announced here today as an alternative to raising compu-sory conscription from 18 months to two years.

The bonus scheme was inducement to conscripts to continue serving for a maxi-mum of another 12 months, the

port, from where ambulances rushed them to hospitals near

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INSURANCE FOR BRITISH EXPORTERS.

From Eric Marsden

Johannesburg, Sept 27 Nicholas Molokwana, teacher who was killed in a gun battle yesterday at a house in Soweto, is said by the police to have been the last of a cell of revolutionsries who were trained outside South Africa and sent across the border on terror missions. The rest of the cell were captured on the Swazi border last weekend and gave information which led to the raid on the house in Dobson-

raid on the house in Douson-wille, Sowers.

Mr Molokwana is alleged to have concealed subversive acti-wities under the cover of his daily job as a schoolteacher. He was shot dead, the police stated, after opening fire with an automatic weapon on secur-ity forces surrounding his home, wounding a police officer and a constable. The police also said arms and ammunition were

and a constable. The police also said arms and ammunition were seized from the house.

Concern is increasing in official circles over the danger of urban terrorism and the spread of subversion by agents trained in neighbouring countries. The guarrillas have had few successes, although on June 13 residents of Johannesburg were shocked by the killing of two white men in daylight in the city centre.

the city centre.
Two men who were captured Two men who were captured are reported to have given information that they were part of a group of 10 members of the banned African National Congress who had been trained in Angola and crossed into South Africa from Mozambique.

On June 15, a big cache of transport and strainings. erms and explosives, and stacks of "communist" literature, was reported to have been found in a Soweto house and in the

mystery

of missing

diamonds

of New York.

From Our Own Correspondent

business is transacted there.

was last seen. He had taken from his safe, diamonds which

the police estimate to be worth

between \$250,000 and \$1m. He

told friends that he was going to call on Mr Shlomo Tal, a

cutter with an office along the

street, and was then going

Mr Tal told police later that

Mr Jaroslawicz had been selling \$2,000 worth of diamonds for him and was due to pay him

the money, but that he had not appeared in his office. Nor did he arrive at his Brooklyn home.

Then yesterday Mr Tal was also reported missing. His wife

said he had been to his office on Sunday and had not returned.

who is an Israeli citizen, there

He has not been seen since.

blown up.
The police reported that six men arrested earlier had been charged with menufacturing bombs and hiding supplies of Russian weapons and ammunition in Soweto after a building used as an arms factory had blown up actidentally.

In May Isaac Seko was semenced to 24 years' imprisonment for terrorism and sabotage. He was accused of

prisonment for terrorism and sabotage. He was accused of carrying a home-made bomb into the restaurant of an hotel last December.

Urban guerrilla action in South Africa has been urged openly by the ANC, which is based in Tanzania. It advised that such action should be directed against South Africa's weaking cities. The public has been warned in Tadio commen. been warned in radio commen-tagies that the threst should be

taries that the threat should be taken seriously.

Unrest in black townships in the areas of Port Elizabeth and East London resulted in large-scale arrests today after reports of aron and intimidation of pupils attending school. Ninety black youths were taken into custody in the Port Elizabeth indistrict after a mass walkout fisher had been extensive intimidation and that the arrested youths would be charged under the Riotous Asemblies Act.

In Dimbaza township, close to the home of Mr Steve Bikso, who died in detention two weeks ago, a crowd estimated at \$500 set five to the offices of the Ciskei Department of Labour, causing about £5,000 the resignations. About 700 black reachers are employed by schools which were closed and taken over by the state last month. Most of them are expected to resign.

Mr Fanyana Mazibuko, a teacher's spokesman, has denied allegations that the teachers are aboutdoning their public by resigning. He said secondary from school in protest against the Bantu education system. The would resume duty only if the pupils and parents asked them to.

Some school principals are opposed to the mass resignation. One, Mr J. O. Tsotesi, has called on teachers to stay at the first provent a collapse of education in Soweto. He

who died in detention two weeks ago, a crowd estimated at 500 set five to the offices of the Ciskei Department of Labour, causing about £5,000 damage. Several rooms were burnt out and a light lorry was destroyed by fire.

A senior police officer said expective forces are not of fire with security forces opened fire with bird-shot and used tear gas to

Durban area a railway line was disperse the crowd. He had no

Schools were boycoited in several parts of Eastern Province. In a town near Port Elizabeth nearly 600 pupils marched through the streets giving the black power salute.

There were also violent incidents in Pretoria and the Rand area. In the capital the five-week-old schools boycott spread to more schools and there were reports of a van being overturned and set alight. At Duduza, on the East Rand, students threw stones on the roof of a school to force children who were artending lessons to go home.

go home.

In Soweto, where Z7,000 pupils from 40 high schools have been boycotting classes for almost two months, bundreds of teachers began handing in their resignations. About 700 black teachers are employed by schools which were closed and taken over by the stare last month. Most of them are expected to resign.

Mr Fanyana Mazibuko, a tracked crobing that the denied

their posts to prevent a collapse of education in Sowers. He expressed solidarity with teachers' grievances, but said resignations would only swell the ranks of the uneducated and

Yom Kippur Herr Brandt ties up world aid loose ends

US Economics Correspondent Washington, Sept 27
Herr Willy Brandt, the
former West German Chancel-

the United Nations romorrow that he as won broad international support for the creation of a new commission New York, Sept 27 An intricate mystery worthy of the attention of Maigret, or at least Kojak, is baffling police in the diamond dealing district that aims to strengthen political and economic ties between industrial and developing coun-It involves the disappearance diamond broker, a diamond

tries. The establishment of the new cuter, and an estimated \$1m. (£570,000) worth of gems. Its ramifications have disrupted the orderly life of a highly religious Orthodox Jewish community in Brooklyn. There is talk, as in all the best mysteries, of Interpol being alerted. commission is one of a series of initiatives being undertaken by leaders of industrial nations to strengthen, the economic to strengthen, the economic prospects for developing coun-tries. Other initiatives were out-New York's busy diamond district is centred on 47th Street, just west of Fifth Avenue. At the heart of the district is the diamond dealers' club, in which the dealers, who are nearly all lewish meet to set up deale and

tries. Other initiatives were out-lined today by Mr Healey, the British Chanceline of the Exchequer and Mr Michael Blumenthal, the American Secretary of the Treasury. Hear Brandt has met the two finance ministers, among many others in Washington, in the pest few days. He is conducting final discussions with foreign manisters at the United Nations Jewish, meet to set up deals and exchange gossip, and where many of them also have safes. Millions of dollars worth of It was in the club last Tues-day evening that the missing broker, Mr Pinchas Jaroslawicz,

Herr Brandt has won assurances from the Dutch, Canadian, West German and Swiss governments that they will play a part in the financing of the new commission's work. The commission will establish a secretariat in Geneva and its executive director will be Mr Goren Ohlin, a Swedish economist who has been working for the World Bank.

Herr Brandt's announcement will be followed by a series of

weeks to decide who else will-join the commission. Mr Edward Heath the former British Prime Minister, and Dr Kissinger, the former American Secretary of State, as believed to bave had preliminary talks with Herr

Brandt. The success the commission enjoys will depend on the degree to which governments of the bigger powers are willing to move towards greater world trade liberalization and world trade Moeralization and increased flows of foreign aid. The commission will play an important role in coordinating some aspects of the work of the General Agreement on Tarrif and Trade, the International Monetay Fund, the World Bank and the Commission of the and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and

Mr Healey told the annual meetings of the IMF and the World Bank today that he believed it essential that the membership quotas of the IMF be increased by 50 per cent at the least and that he hoved agreements could be reached by next summer on a doubling of the World Bank's capital.

A 50 per cent quota increase, which would add some \$23,000m (£14,700m) to the IMF's resources over the next five years, would be "no more than modest in relation to the need", he said. "This has to be set against aggregate oil surpluses ruraing to several tens of billions of dollars each year."

The political situation in Sind has been tense since Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, who comes from Larkana, a town in the province, was removed in the military takeover in July.

In Baluchistan a passenger train was fired at today in an area known in the past for insurgent activities. The guard, the driver and a fireman were

Air Correspondent New York, Sept 27 Laker Airways are to buy two new DC10 air buses worth E35m to bring their total fleet of this wide-bodied airliner to six. Announcing this during the inaugural Skyrrain flight between London and New York yesterday, Mr Freddie Laker, chairman of the airline, said he

intended to sign a letter of intent for the airliners in London tomorrow—the same day that he will apply to the British Civil Ariation Authority for permission to start Skytrain services to Australia. Even though 80 of the 345 Even though ou or the 545 seats on the first London to New York flight remained empty, Mr Laker judged the start of the new service a big

success. Every seat on the first trip from New York to London was filled and Mr Laker said he had made a profit of \$11,325 on the two-way journey at an individual round-trip fare of £139.

At this rate, Skytrain would make a profit of film in a year, Mr Laker estimated.

From Our Correspondent

Two people were killed today and several others injured when

a mail train was derailed near Dadu in Sind province. Sabo-tage is suspected and an inquiry has been ordered into

the removal of plates from the

track. Twenty-five people have

been arrested.

The political situation in Sind.

Islamabad, Sept 27

Pakistan train derailment

thought to be sabotage

Following his example, the six LATA North Atlantic airlines are now offering standby fares of £149.

A tired but jubilant Mr Laker in New York after the inaugural Skytrain flight.

£11,000 profit for first Skytrain

During the flight, Mr Laker conducted a running press con-ference with journalists and television crews. He also helped stewardesses clear away meal

trays.

The inaugural service from Gatwick left five minutes early with the entire staff of Laker Airways standing outside their office block to wave it off.
Messages of good will flooded
in by radio to the captain from
airliners of other airlines, many of them in strong competition with Laker.

During takeoff, the 274 passengers were given a running commencary over the cabla address system by Mr Laker,

promised to lay down their

Pleas by several political parties for the dissolution of the court and the release of

is still functioning.

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However the second Skytrain left Gatwick tonight with only 111 passengers. Mr Laker has said the break-even figure is 183 occupied seats.

On the inaugural flight Mr Laker was jubilant over the impact that his Skytrain service bad made on what he called the "closed shop" of the big airlines in the International Air would not have come over had it not been for the low Skytrain faces.

ing on the Atlantic route.

Mr. Stuart said: "We have got a tough bartle between us—Laker and British Airways—against the Americans. That really is what the battle of the Atlantic is about. We in British Airways are now gerting a little Airways are now gerting a little belp from Laker. We have been carrying on this battle on our own in the past.

"If he is just pinching our traffic, that is no help at all. If he is helping Britain, that must be a good thing. The Skytrain concept must be a contribution to civil aviation."

The last person to board the inaugurol flight at Gatwick was Mr Charles Stuart, commercial planning and pricing director for British Airways, which Mr Laker had included among the "slippery fox" atribus competition on the Airwine competition of the Airwine state.

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disbanded the tribunals and special courts set up by Mr Bhutto to try his political opponeats, but a special court try-ing about 45 Pathan and Baluchi leaders for the last 20 months for alleged conspiracy against the state and their role in the Baluchistan insurgency

day of train and power strikes

The attack came after a period of comparative quiet. Baluchi insurgents were recently granted amnesty by the martial law authorities if they

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Melbourne faces

Canberra, Sept 27.—Mel-bourne was paralysed today by a 24-hour train and train strike which will be followed immedi-Under the power restrictions,

strike in two months by unions claiming a rise of up to \$11 (£7.30) a week. Power workers

ately by power cuts expected to put 400,000 people out of work. electricity cannot be used by general industry; television viewing is restricted; and ex-

ternal lighting round private homes is banned.

arbitration.

There has been no move by the federal Government to use the recently passed anti-strike

claimed areas, such as dairies, food canning, poultry and meat production. He has proposed that private investment including foreign capital, be en-

The Government hopes that by 1982 Egypt will be self-

sufficient in eggs, chicken and

dairy products as well as pro-ducing much more meat.

A big programme to improve

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scheme, which will cost about £100m and be completed in 1982, is designed to improve production from about one mil-lion acres.

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near split
Windhoek, Sept 27.—The
National Party of South West
Africa (Namibia) a branch of Police who work in the dis-nond district consider two possibilities when a merchant goes missing—that he has been kidnapped by someone after the jewels, or that he has made off with the merchandise to start a new life on the proceeds.

The latter possibility was
made to seem less likely by the
testimony of Mr Jaroslawicz's Brooklyn neighbours. They said he was an Orthodox Jew of strict rectitude, and that the

the incumbent-leader.

Many delegates followed Mr

Mudge and more than 100 supporters later gathered in a last time he would pick to abscoud would be two days before Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement and the most solemn separate conference room. He said he might make a public statement after addressing his day in the Jewish calendar. At the weekend dozens of members of his synagogue

supporters.
The rift comes at a crucial time for South-West Africa, due formed a search party to comb the willdings of the diamond district where he was last seen. They found nothing. The police investigation also reached a

1978. Mr Mudge, a verligte (enlightened) Nanionalist is believed in some quarters as better qualified to lead the party in the forthcoming multi-racial elections for an assembly to draw up an independence constitution for the territory. He is chairman of the multi-racial Turnhaffle conference which has been discussing the path to independence. There has been speculation Police went to the office and found that it had been broken into and ransacked. Of Mr Tai. was no trace.
"Right now we're treating this as a coincidence—a very strange coincidence—a very strange coincidence," a detective in the missing persons squad said. A difficult case for Maigret.

There has been speculation that Mr Modge would leave the party if he lost the leadership elections.—Reuter.

Namibian whites

Antica (Namicia) a branch of the South Africa ruling party, appeared near a split today after Mr Dirk Mudge, the deputy chairman, walked out of the party congress. He had narrowly lost a vote for the leadership to the more conservative Mr Abraham du Plessis, the intemptent leader.

to gain its independence from South Africa by the end of

the driver and a fireman were the accused have so far failed. Third World Report

Egyptians begin to make the deserts bloom

Cairo, Sept 27
Egypt, suffering food shortages aggravated by a population explosion, has embarked
upon ambitious programmes to
make the desert bloom and
improve agricultural output.
Only about 2.5 per cent of
the country's 685,000 square
miles is arable land. It is hoped
to double this area. Cairo, Sept 27 to double this area.

The soaring import bills to pay for food for Egypt's 38 million people have added to the country's economic crisis, because of the lack of foreign

currency, and the latest statistics indicate that the cost of food imports from 1972 to 1975 has risen four-fold, from £125m to £500m. The population is expected to reach 70 million by the end of the century and to meet their requirements President Sadat is urging planners to design projects to convert areas in the

These programmes. financed from abroad,

growing crops such as tea, coffee, wheat and sugar cane. struction of a canal network, which will be fed by Lake Nasser behind the Aswan High Dam. The canals will carry water saturated with silt,

Egypt by the year 2000 and yield an abundance of food and other crops.

The projects include the reclamation of about three million acres in southern Egypt, where experts from the United States, Japan, Britain, France and other countries. Japan, Britain, France and other countries have made pre-liminary studies and proposed

The scheme involves the conaccumulated in the lake, which help to speed up land fertility. Millions of people in the Nile valley will benefit from the project, which will also involve the construction of roads, railways, villages and Industries such as food

Another project involves the reclamation of large parts of the Sinai desert.

Under a scheme inaugurated by President Sadat about two years ago, Nile water has been brought into Sinai for the first time. About 500 acres have

time. About 500 acres have carried out now with the assist-already yielded crops such as ance of the World Bank. The maize and barley. In the 1980s an area of about 500,000 acres, extending from Port Said to Ismailia, is expected to be reclaimed. The project includes reducing the size of Manzala Lake on the Mediterranean coast. Barren Mediterranean coast. Barren regions near Alexandria will also be converted into arable land. President Sadat has empha-

It includes the construction of new drainage pumping stations, replacement of obsolere pumping units, deepening and widening of existing drains and installing a network of field drains.

The report estimates that the total institutional loss in 1974 was 11 million tons of food. Wholesale and retail losses during the same year totalled S6,200,000m. The most common causes of such waste were the deterioration of fresh fruits and vegetables, broken containers and damage to commodities in

Institutions like schools are that was ultimately lost.

Falkland talks 'must be strictly bilateral' From Our Correspondent

Buenos Aires, Sept 27 Argentina will not permit the Falkland islanders to perticipate in its talks with Britain over the future of the islands, a Foreign Ministry statement here said last night. The talks were strictly bilateral in accordance with the terms of United Nations resolu-

tions under which they were being held, the statement said. It said there was nothing to stop Britain consulting the standers during the talks which, under the terms of the United Nations resolutions, should take into consideration the islanders interests but not necessarily their "desires or agreement".

Machacek, are standing trial in Usti nad Labem, Northern Usti nad Labem, Northern Bohemia, on charges of subversion, friends of the two said today. Mr Lastuvka, a 35-year-old physicist, and Mr Machacek, a 30-year-old agronomist, face up to five years in jail if convicted. Mr Lastuvka and Mr Machacek and Ota Ornest, theatre directors.— Agence France-Presse.

over Charter 77 links Prague, Sept 27.—Two days of each other last January Czechoslovak dissidents, Vladi-mir Lastuvka and Ales of the dissident Charter 77 human rights document. Neither

Czech dissidents on trial

was a signatory.
In Charter 77 circles, authori-

western and eastern deserts into arable land.

From David Cross

Washington, Sept 27 Each year the United States wastes enough food to feed nearly 50 million people. More than half is thrown away by consumers, mostly households,

in 1974, for example, 137 million tons of home-grown food, worth more than \$30,000m and representing about a fifth of total American food production that year, disappeared between harvesting and consumption.

Mye than \$16,000m worth

was secreted at the consumer end of the chain. Those are the disquieting findings of a congressional report just published in Washington. It describes how food is wasted in the world's richest country and suggests ways in which wastage can be

Food for 50 million thrown away in US Households discard the most edible food, about \$11,700m of the national school lunch worth a year, the report estimates. A recent research project carried out by the University of Tucson discovered that the average family in that city discards more than 10 per cent of the food it buys.

Mace then half the food was 11 million tons of food More than half the food

thrown out is not table scraps, but pure waste—half-loaves of bread, uniouched fruit, half-

bags of vegetables and in some cases unopened packages of food. The researchers also discovered that the biggest wasters bags and bales. Storage, trans-were middle-income families, port and processing losses not the very rich or the very totalled another \$3,200m and not the very rich or the very poor. Middle-income neighbour-hoods waste almost a quarter of the food they buy. Families with a high awareness of food safety, however, tended to waste less.

harvest losses a further \$5,000m. The report estimates that 66 million acres of farmland, nine million tons of fertilizer and 461 million barrels of oil equivalent were used to produce food

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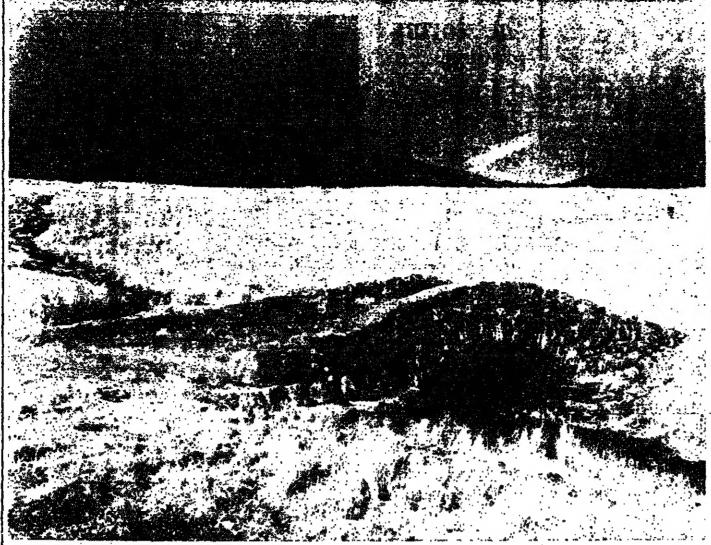
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The artist and the onlooker

from the non-specialist spectator? Should entering a gal-lery be comparable to a burst of Tippett to a non-musician (not easy, but rich end, above all, interesting), or should it be like trying to imagine what milk tastes like from a dry teaspoonful of Marvel? The irony of it is that so much new art was originally concerned with the bresting down of barwith the breaking down of bar-tiers between artist and audience. Now, of course (cf Dr Spock, recent educational reports, reacceptance of Ratti-can) barriers—or elec-

war led him to find the train-

continued to develop his scientific interests. Paolozzi was a fellow-student, and Hender-son's photograms demonstrate their shared interest in incor-porating bomb debris and other objects into their work. (Paolozzi once suid that the artist tries to arrest flux and to perpetuate a single moment, just as Joshua prayed that God should stop the sun in its

riers between artist and audience. Now, of course (cf. audience. Nigel Henderson, a retro
Nigel Henderson audience. At that time Henderson made a series of documentary photographic, and the course of course (cf. audience. At that time Henderson made a series of documentary photographs, malady in the East End, which are neither not aligned to the course (cf. audience. At that time Henderson made a series of documentary photographs, malady in the East End, which are neither not aligned to the course (cf. audience. Audien Nigel Henderson, a retrospective of whose work may be
seen at the Anthony d'Offay making is done in the dark
gatlery until October 22, was
once a Bloomsbury idealist and disposions. He contributed
whose experiences in the last to the Paolozzi/Alson & Peter Smithson exhibit in the 1956

One of the questions that deal of posing and comfy bohrseems to bedevil the relationship between some contemporary artists and their
eudiences is; how much effort agrial views and microscopic responses called up by a pitdraw one reasonably expect
from the monopolarities spectra.

went in 1945 at the age of 28) and Lawrence Alloway's intro-images do not usually have the gling with its partially frayed "... fearfully out of whack duction to its catalogue survival capacity of paided and scattered fleece.

with the atom-smashing world. reminds us of the then-exciting ones. However, Fay Godwia's ... There seemed to be a good idea of integration between groups of landscape photo-

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David Blake on 'Toussaint'

musician in my year at Cam-bridge who came from Wigan and he'd never seen an opera

In September, 1802, Words-worth penned a moving sonnet to the black revolutionary leader Toussaint L'Ouverture, leader Toussaint L'Ouverture, then languisbing, a political captive, in jail in the Jura mountains. Toussaint died the following year; the year, ironically, in which Saint Domingue, at that time France's richest colony, gained the independence which the slave rising of 1791 had boldly and bloodily foreshadowed. Toussaint's proper allies, Wordsworth wrote, were "exultations, agonies, love and Man's unconquerable mind?.

And composer David Blake, whose operatic study of Toussaint has its world premiere saur cas us world premiere tonight at the Coliseum, is happy to echo Wordsworth's sentiments, "There's no doubt. Toussaint was a huge political figure; a genius, with amazing political and military skills."

David Blake was born and educated in London, with opera more or less on his doorstep. "I was lucky; I met one ART GALLERIES

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and he'd never seen an opera in his life. Going to East Berlin, abough, to study on a Mendelsoon scholarship with Hanns Eisler was the really important thing for me. It brought me into contact with Brechi's theatre; his ideas on opera, especially the two essays he wrote in connexion with Mahagonny, influenced with Mahagonny, influenced me a lot, And there was Felsenstein at the Komische Oper. His productions had such an impact because of their enormous realism and attention to detail. He even made Offenbach's Bluebeard into a memorable thestrical experience; and that's a pretty poor piece by any standards." After Berlin Blake moved to an academic post at York University, with thoughts of writing an opera very distant indeed. "I suppose if I'd been down here in London rubbing

down here in London rubbing shoulders with more people in the arts world the chaoces are someone would have suggested my doing an opera. After all, I've been bugged by two operas most of my musical life: Wozzeck sitting on one shoulder and Figuro on the other Bur it wasn't to be until other. But it wasn't to be until Lord Harewood offered me the ENO commission."

Blake's librertist, Anthony Ward, also lectures at York.
"The choice of Toussaint was
Tony's idea. I think be'd wanted to write a play about Toussaint, but his novel writing got in the way. He lent me The Black Jacobins, C. L. R. James's book on the 1791 rising, and from the outset it was fairly obvious to me that he was a magnificent subject for a piece of lyric-drama.

"Some of Toussaint is very lyrical; in fact our conductor, Mark Elder, has started a private joke at rehearents, doing a bit of mock-chiding. That passage is very moving, David; are you sure it's what you meant?' And of course it would be absurd to follow through Brechtian ideas about music theatre to the point where you obliterate bricism altogether. The more you bring vocal writing towards normal speech the more you accentuate the basic irrationality of the whole thing."

Blake has claimed that he has attempted to create a new dialectic between words and music for which the models have not been recent ones."
If I'm honest, I'm thinking primarily of Wagner, I'm as ready as the next man to be bowled over by the big moments in Wagner; but I can't always take the relationship Wagner established be-tween words and music. To begin with, the text is often so banal that German-speakers

are either emburrassed or kugh. Then I don't much care for the role of the orchestra as commentator; the way we're constantly being told by the orchestra who's about to come in, what the character is really thinking, who's behind the pearest bush. It seems to me it's the composer's job to define much mare closely what define much more closely what is being said by the text, which itself must be made very, very clear. Obviously there are big problems here. You've got to be pretty arrogant to take a piece of, say, Shakespeare or T. S. Eliot and set it to music.

OK. I'm acrogant; but it's a task which I think has got to be faced." Blake admits that he and his librettist are "political animals" but he sidesteps the question of their wanting to use opera, in any sense, didactically. The colour, the range, the vitality of the drama is what comes across politication them; and the need to communicate something of poor." to communicate something of the power of Toussaint, the black Napoleon, to contem-

tion for the Haitian people.
Tony and I were there in 1973. They may be poor, but you sense there still what it is LOSCA to be free. Tony said to one Haitian 'You have your independence, but what's it worth when you've got a standard of living which is lower than Jamaica's?' I think it was the John Higgins hairiest moment of our trip. Richard Osborne



Western heroes taken for a ride

Dah Dah Dum Round House Downstairs

Irving Wardle

As the Salakta Balloon Band specializes in open-air performance with a preference for medieval fairs, it may be wrong to judge it on the strength of a studio theatre show played amid a sprinkling of cardboard cacti for an audience of eight. But I should like to know how pads out this short piece, not Ranger's horse doing somer-to mention the title number saults in mid-air do much to which unscrambles itself into move the story along. Rossini's best known gallop. Even without that, one would have grasped the point that the

show is taking two Western heroes for a ride. Jim Sweeny as a down-at-heel Lone Ranger recruits Stephen Steen's dejected Tonto for a rudimentary plot including a desert shootout and the disclosure of the Ranger's slimy climb to fame. some mild fun an-But neither the looming arrivals pared pamomime.

makes it live with his distinctive

His own contribution to the

show is so overpowering, from his unassuming entrance at the very beginning to a long

medley of the songs he made famous, that it might be tempt-ing to dismiss his guest artists. But it would be hard to dis-miss Rosemary Clooney under any circumstances and just as

she can reach back to the great success of "C'mon a my house", the Jor Bushkin Quartet pro-vides fine versions of Mr

Bushkin's jazz classics and gives

phrasing, and with unabashed charm.

it squares its stated opposition of Steve Lewis in a big black to stereo units with the merci-less surge of western music that crowds of 3,000 Indians and the move the story along.
Where it does pick up is in

its variations of the master and servant routine, with Tonto, the solitary member of the Bluebell tribe, outclassing his bigtribe, outclassing his big-mouthed partner on the talking drum and covering vast distances in the Indian equivalent of seven league boots. On these terms, the production offers some mild fun and nearly pre-

of the material falls far enough

Palladium

Bing Crosby

Ned Chaillet

The Old Grouner may be older, and some of the high notes may missing, but when Bing Crosby gets down to some serious crooning his voice is still rich and mellow and the lower registers still draw to-gether black and white Ameri-can music in his own utonistakable style

takable style

His show at the Paliadium is
a family one, but the family
is mainly his own, with his wife,
Kathryn, and his son, Harry Crosby III, standing by to join for repartee, vocal accompaniment and musical support. Most

Panorama

BBC 1

Michael Church

Yet another programme on Rhodesia? Yes — and yet another winner. There are times when television, as a collective entity, really turns up trumps: the moderately conscientious viewer should by now have more than a hazy idea of the intract-able difficulties that Dr Owen is now bravely trying to resolve in New York.

In an ideal broadcasting world, in which the signifi-cance of the present situation in Southern Africa was appre-ciated by all, each of the five programmes now rettling about in my head would be shown again in turn. The last but one edition of This Week (Thumes) would be shown first. In that, slot three days ago, and last we should never undervalue.

Dimbleby minor speaks to the admirable Nyercre, to Mugsbe, Sithole and Muzorewa, and teases out, with great succinct ness and lucidity, the main elements of the political sceue as well as the true nature of the "chance" which the Owen plan offers the whites.

Next I would show Brian Walden's interview with Smith in Sunday's Weekend World

in Sunday's Weekend World (LWT), in which the UDI-merchant sounds—well—pretty pliable. Then would come Monday's fascinating Panorana, in which that same gentleman, under more belligerent quest-ioning sounded much less pliable, and implicitly contradicted his previous implica-

My fourth programme would be Vanya Kewley's interview with Sister Janice McLaughlin which was so advoidly slipped into the Everyman (BBC 1)

sturdy support to Mr Crosby's

back into Mr Crosby's distin-guished coreer to make it unfamiliar for younger members of other families, but Mr Crosby turn is so vastly superior to the usual comedian outpourings, historical interview. usual comedian outpourings, hitting targets ranging from Eritish football to the entire Labour Cabiner, that it does not seem a distraction. But all that is really necessary is Mr

Is really necessary is Mr Crosby.

He never stints in his offerings, and makes a special tribute to Britain by bringing the company together for a Salute to Noel Coward". He gives the traditional jokes about Bob Hope a fresh and funny airing and does not fail to include "White Christmas" in the songs. Mr Crosty delivers as songs. Mr Crosty delivers as though he were trying to make himself a name.

And there we would (or would not) have it; the contradictions, the incompatible political demands, the coexistence, in some whites, of xenophobic brutality with something approaching nobility, the inscrutable intentions of both Smith and some of the black leaders. and some of the black leaders.

The very success of these programmes as not only gatherers but also makers of news does reise, I think, the question of their proper function. It must be exhibitating for Wal-den and the Dimblebys to know that they are yet again making the front page, and more power to their arm for regularly managing to do so. But their programmes also have an expository function and that, in the heat of the moment, they

Callas, phantom of the opera



When Callas was on stage

only one person was in com-

mand. After she left the pro-

duction, which has never been far from Covent Garden's reper-

tory, it has been dominated by Scarpias, Cavaradossis and orchestras as well as Toscas. On Monday it was Cavaradossi's turn. José Carreras, making his

rum. José Carreras, making his London debut in the part, was a dashing young revolutionary from the opening, where he irreligiously brushed aside the mumbling of the Angelus by the Sacristan (a ripe piece of characterization by Eric Garrett), to his final refusal to die when a member of the firing

when a member of the firing squad iterally jumped the gun.

Careras's tenor is sensuously luscious at the moment. He caressed Tosca's hands with sweet tone and soft flesh in the

Montserrat Caballé

Royal Opera House

The inevitable shade over Monday's revival of Tosca at Covent Garden was that of Maria Calias, Franco Zeffirelli mounted his production for her and Tosca was the last role she sang at the Royal Opera House, on July 5, 1965. Perhaps some of us there on that night felt we were hearing a final performance, but until a few days ago suspicion was not a reality. Now there can be no

sweet tone and soft flesh in the last act ("O dolci mani") much in the way that Ferruccio Tagliavini once did; and the new heroism in the voice made that subsequent vision of freedom with Tosca a mirage well worth pursuing. Carreras declined to mount the steps in the first act and add a brushstroke or two in his painting, but offer Cavara-lossis lave the provided armonic."

Which is the other half of the personality, passed ber by.

The other elements are familiar. Peter Glossop's Scarpia still makes the Chief of Police too much like a country copper in a wig. The minor parts are far more convincingly played and have been imaginatively directed by Richard Gregson, Robin Staple-ton's Pucchai has always been excellent and Menday's revival provided. The current run of performances are discreetly dedicated in the programme to her memory and she would have claimed them anyhow. Tosca's arrival in the Church of Sant's Andrea with imperious-Sant's Andrea with andreas melting into flirtation . . . the eyes casting around the Farnese Palace before lighting on the knife which will kill Scarpia on the supper table ... these are the moments which still haunt the production and will go on haunting it.

LPO/Tennstedt Festival Hall

Joan Chiesell

Though Klaus Tennstedt made his London debut a year ago, his concert on Monday was his first with the LPO, an orchestra which, under a recently concluded five-year agreement, he is to conduct regularly for several weeks of every year. Since leaving his native East Germany in 1971 he has won particular renown in the

United States. His main offering on Monday was Mahler's first symphony. it could not have taken anyone long to realize how completely

be was inside this composer's every innuendo. The intimate skin, sharing his hypersensitive, song theme in the finale was with his whole body-no ballet dancer could have been more like Horacio Gutierrez, Schumelodic flow.

He conducted from memory,

preferred to take "Recondita provided no exarmonia" at stage level. All orchestral role.

just how much of the tale is told through timbre alone, despite the fact that he did not ask the born section to stand up and blaze out their final finding the exact shade for

even neurotically highly strung, beautifully phrased. And they reactions. Those Mr Tennstedt were always ready for his swift communicated to his players surges of excitement. For a high-powered virtuoso

provided no exception to that

in all this was the best

in a long while.

Cavaradossi London has heard

Montserrat Caballé was unbucky to pick such an even-ing for her first Covent Gar-den Tosca, particularly after a

disappointing Aida at the end of last season. She tried hard,

of last season. She tried hard, but the voice is still not responding to colouring as once it did and the rone is apt to turn cloudy in the softer phrases. There were moments to sayour, notably in "Vissi d'arte", despite some tempi which did not exactly correspond with the conductor's view of the work, and in the last act-

of the work, and in the last act Caballe has the measure of

Tosca the prima donna: the mix-

ture of piety and girlish delight, which is the other half of the

lithely expressive-and always mann's Piano Concerto was a with a supple feeling for curious choice. He did his best to respect the music's mellor but not a note in the score in the finale's happy flow of went uncored for or uncoloured. quavers. Changes of mood (and In fact he brought home keenly certain details of vibrato) yere perhaps too emphatic for feets unity in the first movement. The Intermezzo, taken a little fast, also included a few questionable details of rubito. most alert, rarely failed him in the orchestra calling the tune was lovely.

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Henry VIII musical for. London

Kings and Clowns, an original musical set in the time of King Henry VIII, will open in Lendon

first of Hillard Elkins's pro-gramme of new shows for the John Napier and lighting by West End in 1978. Richard Pilbrow. The score is by Leslie

Bricuse, with book by Tom Rimer and Leslie Bricusse. It

Before its London premiere

Kings and Clowns will be seen at the Birmingham Repertory early next year, with Frank will be directed by Mel Shapiro. Theatre for three and half Finlay as Henry. This is the with choreography by Gillian weeks from January 19.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Football

Clubs queue up to stage United tie

Football Correspondent

Seven clubs have offered their grounds to Manchester United for the return leg of the European Cup Winners Cup the against St Etienne next Wednesday, Since United won their appeal against suspension on Monday their officials have been searching for a studium at least 125 miles from inchester. Their reinstatement by the European union (UEFA)

they have until tomorrow evening to find a suitable ground. An offer from Arsenal was rejected by United On Tuesday secretary, Alan Hardaker, said Loudon was "the list place" the match should be held. Howme match should be near. However, the League's management committee have not yet made a ruling. The other clubs offering their grounds are Sunderland, Portsmouth, Plymouth Argyle, Bristol City, Glentoran, of Northern Iroland and Aberdeen. Bristol City, Glentoran, Northern Ireland and Aberdeen. There is also an offer from United secretary, said: "In view of what has been said by Alan

is out of the reckoning. Time is short and we are furiously trying Aberdeen has become the most likely choice. The Scottists club were yesterday approached by United and Aberdeen agreed to hold the game providing the the could be brought forward 24 hours, in order not to clash with their Scottish League Cup game against Rangers at Ilyox.

The Aberdeen chairman, Richard Donald, said: "We are flattered that we should be considered for such an important occasion. We are confident we can cope, especially as we under-stand no tickets are being sold

in Manchester."

The susence of Manchester United and Liverpool, who have a bye, leaves only four English clubs in today's first round second leg European matches, All four, Newcasile United, Aston Villa, Manchester City and Inswich Town, play in the Uefa Cup. Manchester City, who are in Poland to play Widzew Lodz, are in the most deflicult position, having only drawn 2—2 at Maine Road. The others should progress to the second round.

Inswich's England international full back, Mills, has recovered from a cartilege operation and plays against a Swedish team, Landskrona Bois, at Portman Road, his return will encourage Inswich not only for the game in hand, which they should win comfortably, but for their championship hopes this game. comfortably, but for field championship hopes this season. Bobby Robson, the manager, has not said whether Mills will play in defence or middleld. Inswich start 1—0 alread.

start 1—0 alterd.

Newcastle, badly needing a victory to improve morale, only drew 0—0 with Bohemians in the Republic of Ireland a furinght ago and play the return, without their captain, Nuity, and also Bard and Cassidy. The manager, Richard Dimis, who has been given a vote of confidence by the board in soite of six successive defeats, in vote of confidence by the board in spite of six successive defeats, in hoping that Barrowolough and Cannell pass fitness tests.

An annowing lapse by Manchester City in their first leg tie against Widzew Lodz cost them a two-goal lead. In Poland they face a difficult match but their manager, Tony Brook, hopes he may be able to turn the odds back in City's favour by including Tuesrt who has missed five matches including the first leg.

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Anglo-Scottish Cup Quarter-final round, second leg

Bristo City wan 3—6 on aggregate Notes Co (0) 1 Motherwell (0) Winter Notes County won 3—1 on aggregate

Second division

Ceitic, the Scottish champions should join Liverpool in the second round of the European Cup as Lurembourg 5-0 in Scutland a formight ago, but Ranagers, who are playing Twente Enschede in Winners' Cup. The Dutch, are experienced team, drew 0-0 at libror and Rangers are without

former West Ham forward, Kelth Robson, is ineligible and may be replaced by a natural defender, Dwyer. Similarly goalless after a first leg Uefa Cup tie, Aberdeen at least have bome advantage over RWD Molenbeek, of Belgium, who arrived in Scotland yesterday without their captain, Martens. Aberdeen are boping to field the team who played in Brussels.

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The stormy harvest of Farmer

So Days Green returned to the to himself that he could still fread the Wembley boards and not remember one second of the tranmatic events of a similary warm night in June when he was stopped in his tracks by the world welterweight champion, Carlos Palomino. Well, he did not achieve that, as he was nearly knocked out of the ring in the ninth round with that familiar left hook.

But Green did however, acrane with that familiar left book.

But Green did, however, scrape through against a better boxer, Andy Hawk Price, of the United States, 96-95, and to that extent you could say that the East Anglian successfully laid the ghost. But he showed all through the 10-round contest that he was vulnerable to the hook and uppercut and, had Price beet a harder litter, he would not have survived the until round.

The scowling Green looked as hlack as thunder as he came into the ring. He has a fearsome face once he gets his gunshield on. But the storin never really broke though the East Anglian continually rained blows around Price's ears.

Green opened the contest trying to box and size up his man but the American backed away and the American becked away and showed he was the superior boxer. For a change, Green boxed with his arms closer to his body but the American stabbed sway and hooked from a distance. It was to Price's advantage to make Green boy because whenever the Englishman forgot his boxing and hit out Price became ruffled. He kept backing away as Green

Conteh, Britain's former world

Green tries to measure up the man he could not quite master.

Price looked a little more confident and Green became frustrated and resorted to his wild swings. But he did catch the American several blows that had him wobbling about the ring. In the sixth Green was slow getting off his stool and the American was waiting for him and dominated the round and with every blow grew more and with every blow grew more and more confident. He had Green ouce again poking out those ineffec-tual lefts and getting caught try-ing to mask them tell. Price was

ered up against Green's swings.

In the seventh round blows rained down on the American and suddenly Price was fighting for his life. Green's blows had no other quality than that of just hurring. In the eighth Green chasted and chasted but was not able to finish the good work of the last round and the American took a breather and watched the blood pouring from Green's eye, which had opened in the fourth.

In the eighth and nauth Price

sound but always telling Green now and then that he was the master when it came to boxing. In the minth round the moment came when Andy Hawk Price decided to tear up the pea-patch against this East Angilan farmer and hooked and chopped and upper cutted Green all round the ring. Green was spent. Green's blows now did not even have as much map as a box of Lego.

The might of Inne returned not

Cornelius Boza-Edwards sua-trained his first defeat in 10 con-rests when he was beaten by Des Gwilliam in the sixth round of their eight-round contest, the ref-erce stopping the bout because Edwards had suffered a cut eye.

Middleweight Conteh to fight next month Plans for the future of Join teh could also be linked with the Joneth, Britain's former world trite again in a new year contest against either Miguel Cuello, the current title holder, the revealed in London today.

could be split

Rome, Sept 27 .- The World not recognize the victor, of a Rodrigo Valdez of Colombia and the American Benny Briscoe as world champion, a prominent Italian promoter said today. If confirmed, the decision means that the winner will only be recognized by the World Boxing Council and the title will be split between WBC

Motor rallying Cowan wir Jewm

toughest contest of them all

land, was the provisional woof the London to Sydney car of the London to Sydney Car, here today, repeating his r. in the same race nine years. Weary after the month 18,600-mile drive from London Mercedes 2805, he had no d that the 1977 rally was harrowing than in 1968.

"I've been in a lot of drives, but this was the touever". Cowan told reporter well-wishers who doused bim champagne. Bally officials that, of the 69 competitors set out from London to through Europe, Asia and Ailia, only about 15 were emp to finish.

The record and to the line in this country town 100 miles north of Sydney England's Tony Fowkes, at a Mercedes, who was provisit second, 22 minutes behind, Paddy Hopkirk, of Ireland, was third, another four minutes will not be known immorrow.

gate, on the Queensland be on Monday night. If the ste-decide the section should not been deleted, as the organ have done. Hopkirk's tram claim second place.

Cowan, aged 38, a farmer.
Berwickshire. in the Scoborder country; said the ylong Australian stage, where competitors were forced out, the hardest stretch. "About per cent of the Australian was over really rough dirt and you were driving from to snow and ice and back heat", he said.

The kengaroo which we

The kangaroo, which driving in outback areas of

kangaroos and one of them all our lights out and pushed of profile of the car back important tribute to his navigator. C. Malkin, and co-driver, Mr. Broad, for the backing they a said. tralia hazardons, nearly Cowan's challenge. "We

Hales leaves Derby after nine months for £110,000

Derek Hales last night signed for West Ham United for £110,000, subject to a medical examination. Hales leaves Derby County after nine months during which he only scored four league goals. His fee from Charlton Athletic was £280,000. Hales said: "I am very happy to be joining West Ham. I gave the move a lot of thought and I am sure this time it is the right one. What counts at the end of the day is that I am still in division one and I am absolutely delighted about that."

Hull City have transfer listed delighted about that."

Buil City have transfer listed two of their pay rebels. They are the 23-year-old midfield player Vincent Grimes and the 13-year-old winger David Stowart. Hull were told by an independent tribunal to agree terms with their rebels within a fortnight or any them as agree terms wan their receis within a fortnight or put them on offer and Grimes has been listed at £45,000 and Stewart at £40,000. Stewart, a Northern Ireland youth international, lost his first team place to Grimes at Southampton at the weekend.

Blackpool hope to sign the West Bromwich Albion goelseeper Ward as a replacement for Wood who was transferred to Everton last month. Ward has just completed a month's loan period with Blackpool who will pay about £18,000. Stoke City hope to sign Everton's full back Serjeapt for £30,000 this week. Stoke's manager George Eastham hopes a deal will be completed in time for him to play at Bolton on Saturday.

Sheffield United, second from the bottom of the second division, with just three points from seven games, have parted company with their manager, Jimmy Sirrel.

Mr Sirrel joined United from Notts County in October, 1975, and was unable to prevent them going down from the first division. A statement from the club yesterday place to transcend.

The weekend.

The remaining three Hull players who were still in dispute over the weekend, have settled their differences. Jeffrey Wealands and Edwin Blackburn, both goelkeepers, have signed new contracts. statement from the club yesterds said Mr Sirrel had "terminate said Mr Sirrel had "terminated his contract".

The statement indicated that the directors considered a change in direction in playing policies was essential if United were to improve their league position. It added that Mr Sirrel had agreed it was "in his and the club's best interests that he should leave" and that compensation had been agreed. Blackoool bave transfer listed Aisscow and Harrison. The players refused to accort the terms offered by the club at the start of the season and took their case to an

Villa abroad will look not

unlike Villa at home

A 42,000 crowd at the Inoun Studium, magnificently sited above the Bosphorus, will tomorrow night 6.0 EST expect a sterner show of resolution from Fenerbahce than seen hitherto as the Turks seek to cut back the 4—0 lead Arma Ville missed in the Turks seek to cut back the 4—0 lead Aston Villa gained in the first round of their Uefa Cup tie at Villa Park. Villa, on the other hand, where not in a defensive mood when they arrived here today. They promised an energetic pursuit of more goals.

To say that the volatile Istanbul supporters "expect" is probably to understate matters; a more appropriate word is "demands". They dismay over

probably to understate matters; a more appropriate word is "demands". The dismay over a severe trouncing has subsided only with the approaching second leg and the chasce of restoring some pride. One detects the feeling that a little more steel must be introduced into the game if anything is to be made of it locally. They are frustrated enough as it is with a petrol shortage, which has created big queues and fighting at garages. A continued shortage of goals in this encounter would be too much. It will need cool heads in the Villa side to withstand the kind Villa side to withstand the kind of whiriwind start that the Turks seemingly like to employ. In this they are similar to the Villa of

exert his influence early is Leighton Phillips, Villa's captain and most experienced player in the European game. When he arrived here he recalled his days in Europe when playing for Cardiff. He thought Villa would be unlikely to surrender such a large lead, but thought they could

first leg at Villa Park and could well try provocation on this occasion. He continued: 'It is a question of keeping our heads and concentrating on the job in hand. There is plenty of ability in the side and it is up to us to do the job we're here for."

Ron Saunders, Villa's manager, and it would be easy to close up the game from the outset to protect their lead. But it could lead to problems if, by mischance, the Turks popped in an early goal or two. He said the strategy would be clear and simple: "The idea is to get in first, hit them, and keep them running. We aim to put them under pressure and not stand back trying to contain them."

Villa, will be unchanged, with Smith at left back for injured Robson, and Cowans, aged 19, who impressed last season, again deputizing for Gray, who is out seemingly like to employ. In this
they are similar to the Villa of
early last season; but the indications are that Villa have a good
deal more finesse and certainty in
this field.

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Last night's results

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Today's football fixtures

Substitute topples Luton

Brighton 3 Luton 2

Brighton and Luton staged a thrilling finish with three goals in the last six minutes. Brighton's substitute Gerty Fell scored twice, to keep his side's unbeaten record and put them level with Tottenham at the top of division two. Brighton squandered their first half chances. O'Sullivan and Mellor went close and Ward drove a fifteenth minute penalty high over the Luton bar.

Brighton took the lead after 59 Brighton took the lead after 59 minutes when Ward steered in Cattin's cross. Steele stopped shots from Ron Futcher and Hill as Luton turned on the pressure, but in the seventy-second minute,. Futcher netted an equalizer. After Fell's two late goals, Husband

Waisall 9 Preston 9
Tom Reynolds, the referee who
was escorted off the field in a
World Cup match in Austria last
week, was involved in more controversy at Waisall. Some of his
decisions angered the home crowd,
who jeered him at the end and
he also upset Preston's manager,
Nobby Stiles.
Stiles imped no and down in

Lloyd goes through with no more than a swish

light-heavyweight champion, will be revealed in London today. Conteh, who has not fought since March, when he stopped Len Hutchins to retain his world title—of which the World Boxing Council subsequently stripped him—is expected to go back into action in Manchester in October 26.

Manny Goodall, the promoter. Manny Goodall, the promoter, who staged the March title bout in Liverpool, will ammounce the name of Conteh's opponent. Con-

John Howie, the Scottish No 3.

Although he admitted that he could have played better with a conventional racket, he believes that once he learns to use the new instrument, it will help to raise its standard of play. Lloyd played with an emphasis on top spin but it did not always succeed.

"This is all new to me and while it helped me win, I am certain it would be more useful playing outside instead of on indoor courts. It did help me roll my back hand back hand
Howie said that the ball came through with tremendous spin and that at times it was difficult to landle. But he pointed out that their score—6—4, 6—4—was identical to when they met in the came townstreaments were also play. tical to when they met in the same tournament a year ago, playing with conventional rackets.

The new racket reduces sound to a mere swish. But its big asset is the ability to impart much more spin. Lloyd first experienced the racket when he was beaten by Fishback in the United States Open and he was so impressed that he decided to re-string one of his £150 rackets in the same style.

The women's open-singles pro-vided a surprise when Linda MEN'S SINGLES: First round: D. Lloyd boat J. Howis. 6—4, 6—4; R. Both boat T. Steith, 6—3, 7—6. [5-4] Jeeves saved three metch points to beat Annetic Coe. 3—6, 6—4, 7—5. In the under-21 team cham-

Paris, Sept 27.—Guillermo Vilas. Parts, Sept 27.—Guttermo visas, of Argentina, the top player on the international circult this season, says that he plans to pass up Wimbledon in 1978 in order to watch the World Cup.—AP.

Grand prix revision should ensure stronger entries the aegis of the Men's Harmonia Professional Temis Cor. ci). The monolitic structured the grand prix denands continued in the grand prix denands continued in the grand prix denands continued in the grand's properties. But it is the game's properties of the property of t

n. The cournaments affected be Adelaide (December 5 to 11), Sydney (December 12 to 18), and the Australian championships in Melbourne (December 19 to Together with increased prize money, the revision should ensure stronger entries for Australian events. Several leading players will be keen to consolidate their cisims to grand prix boouses and places in the eight-man Masters townsment to be contested at Madison Square Garden, New York, from January 4 to 8. The 5229,000 Masters will be sponsored by Colgate. 229,000 Masters will be aponsored by Colgate.

The grand prix has expanded
the calendar of big-money touriaments and increased the players'
esculings opportunities. But many
leading players are dissatisfied
with some facets of the format
and consider that it unduly
restricts their freedom to play
when and where they choose.
Equally, many tournament sponsors resent the increased cost of
backing grand prix events and
that they must share the ensuing

The annual Wightman played at Oskiand, near Sm. Fb. cisco, from November 8 to the Sm. This will be the first time at the been spread over five days to been spread over five days to been spread over five days to be will comprise Christine Evit will comprise Christine Evit Billie Jean King, Rosemany Castle and two researchers. and two newcomers. Joanne R
sell and Kristicu Shaw, formida 800 St. HAND

LENINGRAD: USSR best US. HILTON HEAD ISLAND, CAROLINA: World Invitation ment: men's singles: semi-final R. Botts (Sweden) has a

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Rugby Union

The Eagles have landed with their torpedo pass

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent
It could be important to their
morale, as well as to the success
of their short English tour, that
the Eagles, from the United
States, get off to a good start
against Civil Service at Gloucester this evening 17.0). Their
opponents, who have lost several
of their Scottish players with
injuries, have introduced Hefin
Jenkins, Lianelli's number eight,
and they still look an experienced
and thoroughly competent combination.

and thoroughly competent combination.

The Eagles, who play Cornwall at Camborne on Saturday, intend to give all their fir players a game by the weekend, by which time they may know rather more about themselves. For the moment, with due allowance made for Injuries, they believe they are fielding something not far removed from their strongest side.

The prop forwards and hooker come from the middle west and the back five of the strummage look especially powerful, with the captain, Sweeney, at lock and with three loose forwards of considerable size. The largest of them is the number eight, Fraumann, who retired from the game after playme number eight, Fraumann, who retired from the game after playing against Frauce in 1976 and has not played a big game since. Only last Thursday he succumbed to pressure and agreed to join the

to his cri du coeur, published in these colemns yesterday, for a spare pair of boots, size 14; tikely suppliers have been spare pair of boots, size 14; ilkely suppliers have been tracked down in Northampton—on the advice of a senior police officer in the north-east.

Franmann was rated by the French as world class, at least in the lineout. He got both the American tries in the match against France—the only ones so far stored for the United States in three internationals. Lombard, one of today's flark forwards, played against Camda. Streency played against Camda. Streency played against the distinction with Bordley, one of the stand-off

balves, of appearing in all of those internationals. Sweeney is one of the side's best throwers, or spinners, of the long torpedo pass. Bordley, who was chosen for the World XV sides in South Africa, where he had to

South Africa, where he had to play on the wing, is rested this evening. His place goes to Gray, rated about as highly; the scrumhalf is Scott Kelso, who began life in Londonderry and achieved a PhD at Wisconsin University. Kelso is said to be a shrewd kicker well able to put the ball where his forwards want it and, on Monday's evidence at training he provides a good service for his partner.

Whether we see the Americans' speciality flus evening must depend on the state of the pitch. Even if the weather is kind there could be some dew at this time of the year, and the torpedo throw needs a dry ball. Let us hope the Eagles are lucky in all respects, and that they may rapidly adjust to playing under lights.

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Schweppes are to spousor the Scottish Club Championship for the next three years. The Scottish League, now in its fifth season, will be known as the Scottish Rugby Union Championship for the Schweppes Trophies. Schweppes, who stepped into sports sponsorship in a big way when they underwrote this way when they underwrote this year's county cricket championship, will be spending between £30,000 and £100,000. The cash will be used at the discretion of the SRU for the benefit of the game as a whole.

Hockey

Ireland in finals after high scoring draw

Rome, Sept 27.—Ireland clinched a place in the finals of the fourth world cup in Argentina in March after an exciting 2—3 draw against Belgium on the fith day of the Intercontinental Cup here yesterday. They needed only a draw to make certain of their trip to South America, but were surprised to find themselves 2—0 down after only 15 minutes. Ireland made a storming down after only 15 minutes.

Ireland made a storming recovery, inspired by their captain Terry Greeg. Goals by Walker, Sinnamon and Greeg put them 3—2 up, but Ireland's hopes of victory were thwarted by an injury to John Clarke. He dislocated his shoulder when he collided with an opponent, and the Belgians took advantage to snatch an equalizer. Belgium and Poland have also qualified for Argentina, and the Soviet Union seem certain to grab the fourth and final place later today.

The Soviet Union defeated and final place later today.

The Soviet Union defeated Caneda 1—0 in their final group march at the Intercontinental Cup and qualified for the world cup fluels. It is a remarkable achievement for the Soviet Union, who only took up field hockey 10 years ago. In 1970 they were only fourteenth in the European Cup.

The match with Caneda was evenly contested. Caneda gained sevenly contested. Caneda gained sevenly contested. evenly contested. Canada games sevenly corners with the Russians having only four but the Russians having only four but the Russians having only four but the only goal, scored by Vjatcheslav Lampeev in the fifty-seventh minute, came from one of the Soviet Union's penalty corners. The Soviet Union join Belgium, Ireland and Poland in the Intercontinental Cup semi-final round on Thursday. All four have qualified for the World Cup by reaching the last four here.

Group A: Poland 2. USSR 2: France reaching the last four here, Group A: Poland 2. USSR 2: France 2. Kenya 1: Canada 2. Ghana 0; Ghana 0. Kenya 1: Lasada 7 polani; USSR 1. Canada 0. Positions: Poland 7 polani; USSR 1. Ghana 2: Ghana 2: Lasada 1. Ghana 2: Ghana 2: Lasada 1. Ghana 2: Janan 2: Lasada 1. Ghana 2: Janan 2: Lasada 2: Janan 2: Jana

No laughs this year when Dassu stands on first tee and then do not. Some excuses are no doubt valid but failure to turn up often leaves a bad flavour

In the next two weeks, the three winners of the four leading world golf championships will be on view in this country. The first of them to appear is Hubert Green, the United States Open champion, who is playing again in the Dunlop Masters tournament at Lindrick. He is one of the top Americas who have always chown an appreciation of what it shown an appreciation of what it means to play over here. I can remember his taking part in the 1974 Open with positive relish, which is not a quality readily shown by professional golfers. shown by protessional golders.

He finished second last year to Baldovino Dassu, who was described on the first tee as having finished seventh in the German open that year. It caused some merriment, coming after the announcement of Green's three successive victories in the United successive victories in the United States earlier that season.

Dassa, of Italy, is defending his title. He showed good form last week in Brussels end startied the assembled company by finishing second to Ballesteros in the driving coatest during the Swaelens Challenge Trophy. It was a downwind drive to a tilted fairway which Faldo did not even reach. If not a significant test, it was a revelation of Dassu's longit.

This year, when he is amnounced was a revelation of Dassi's tength.

This year, when he is amounced
on the first tee, they will at least
be able to say that he is the
holder and also the winner of last
year's Italian Open. A sickening
aspect of professional golf is the
number of players who are expected to compete in an event,

turn up often leaves a had flavour in the public mind.

Dunlops have suffered worst than most but this year's field of 50 is still strong. It includes, in particular, three Australians in Graham Marsh, Peter Thomson and Rob Shearer, who is returning to his happy hunting ground after a period in the United States, Balbuena, an outstanding Spaniard scidom seen over here, as well as the best of the younger British generation. seidom seen over here, as well as the best of the younger British generation.

Faldo wears a halo at the moment as almost the only Briton to have stood up to foreign competition and not filmched. Of how few others can that be said at the end of this unremarkable season from the British point of view? Dawson the leading Briton on the order of merit, is paired with Hyman, an American.

After arriving in Europe with a bunch of fellow nomads, Hyman won the Dutch and Scandinavian opens and set the cat among the European pigeons by earning more in haif a season than any Briton in the whole year. Lindrick is the course, the home in past years of the Ryder and Curtis Cups and the 1970 march play championship, won by Polland.

It has also acted as host to the It has also acted as host to the Mesters in 1966 when Coles won with a total of 278. Dunlops, who each year assemble a select field of golfers of which pro-am organizers have taken full advantage, decided this year for the first time hold their and present weath to hold their own pro-am event, as the Americans do on the eve of the tournament.

Australians barred Perth, Sept 27.—The West Australian Cricket Association have announced that Lillee, Edwards, Marsh, Maloue and Laird cannot play in club competition because of their involvement in the Kerry Packer series.—Reuter.

Baiocchi comes in Hugh Baiocchi, the South African holder of the British match-play title, will take the place of Ben Crenshaw, of United States, in the world Show jumping

Smith is 1.4 sec faster than his son

Double Clasing show yesterday Tibetan Stakes, on Everest Make

Olympic Games

property developer.

Encouraged by an entinslastic son, who had been given a pony and is now the assistant show director. Mr Old bought the original stables from a friend in 1969 and bes built a magnificent covered school in a field where horses used to start. Dealman Tibetan Stakes, on Rverest Maire Do, from Barvey Smith, on Graffin. Each jumped three clear rounds with 1.9 seconds dividing them. Smith's elder son, Robert, Indished fourth, 1.4 seconds behind his father, on Upton, a former abow hunter by Little Cloud.

The show, which started in 1971, has moved this year from the National Equestrian Centre at Stoneleigh to the Park Equestrian centre at Northwood. Already the home of the Lanch championships in March, it is owned by Robert

covered school in a field where horses used to graze. Drainage, hard roads, car park, a collecting ring, a bar and dining room and four outside rings, which are used as dressage rings during the Royal International Horse Show and the Horse of the Year Show at Wembley, have been added to the impressive complex.

There are \$5 horses, some 30 of them fiveries. There is hostel accommodation for the 13 assistant instructors and nine students under

Fourteen jumped off for the filmain event, the Himslayan Start it was won by Michael Whitsi on Brother Scot. Clear in 29.54 he defeated Michael Saywell Chain Bridge, with whom he is start in Calgary, Canada. His time of 30.38ecs, was 1.1secs fasted the David Broome, third on Heatway Tuestan Starts: 1 Miss 1.1secs favored the Carterian Starts: 1 Miss 1.1secs favored the Carterian Starts: 1 Miss 1.1secs favored the Missalaram Starts: 1 Missalaram Starts: 1 Bendy Missalaram Missalaram Starts: 1 Bendy Missalaram Missa For the record

'Not one state dollar goes into Los Angeles Games'

trying to assure voters and tax-pavers that the Games will not saddle local governments with the kind of multimillion-dollar debts Montreal -incurred for the 1976 If the Games come to Los

If the Games come to Los Angeles, he to'd a news conference, "no dollar from the State of California will be used to finance them". The cost, he said, would have to be covered by the city. "private developers, the Olympic committee and other revenues." revenues "
Los Angeles was selected as the United States candidate because it aiready has most of the facilities required, Governor

Los Angeles, Sept 27.—California will not spend a cent to
help stage the 1984 Olympics if
they are held in Los Angeles,
Governor Edmund Brown jr, said,
The governor, who supported the
city's successful bid to be the
United States nominoe, has been
United States nominoe, has been
trying in assure voters and try. because "I wanted to make sure no public funds would be pumped in." Ernant Bernardi, one of live city council members who have city council members over the expense of staging the Games, said he remained sceptical about the a little more realistic with the figures," Mr Bernardi neged the contail. The Los Angeles Times reported that the city's organizing reported that the city's organizing committee resisted a "squeeze play" by the U.S. Olympic committee, who used the rival bid by New York—the only other U.S. candidate city to create the impression of suff competition.

In hopes of wringing new concessions for faucy facilities from this city."

Tennis

Squash rackets

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A year ago Robert Sangster's

Live familiar emerald green, royal

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chalmen on Sookera, who is a sixed in Ireland by Dermot Weld. I wrote on Monday that I fancied to lovera's chance of winning this lookera's which has been sponsared once again by the William He organization and yesterday I liked our Irish correspondent inch of their two runners he woured imore—Snookera or oristra. He replied without a oment's hesitation, Sookera, who say Tumbledownwind by a length and a half over today's distance at typal Ascot in June Sookera has ten beaten in Ireland since then, at by all accounts there were as not fully wound up after her identifications there were as not fully wound up after her identifications was certainly restor sharp, a saying won her previous race 17 as and distraced, even though the was excited the received and a half. It is thought now that he was eventually beaten a length and a half. It is thought now that he is 100 per cent right and to long in this country he has been or a long in this country he has been great success in Ireland since he moved there a few years ago and ecently he established a new econd for the number of winners idden in a season.

Since Sookera was less seen in this country a horse that she beat, I umbledownwind, has done othing but draw attention to the corn; first by winning in record that at Goodwood; then by winning the Glucrack Stakes at York



and more recently by running really well in the Mill Reef Stakes at Newbury where he was trying to give both Formidable and Aythorpe weight.

Aythorpe weight.

Over six farlongs I prefer Smokera to the other challenger from Ireland, Noticitar who was beaten in the Paoentx Stakes at Phoenix Park ofter the hall won the National Stakes at Sambown Park. With Americals dropping our because of injury the sponsors tow have the French filly, Lady Jane Grey, favourite at 3-1 followed by Falr Salinia and Noritza at 4-1, and Sookera at 9-2. Lody Jane Grey won twice at Deauville in August, first over six furicings then again over seven. She is clearly useful judged on the way that the bear the English filly Momelimar, on the second occasion, but far from invincible, even with Yves Saint-Martin in the saddle.

Michael Stouse sald quite openly

Martin in the shoule.

Michael Stoute said quite openly earlier with week that although they should both run well he is doubtful without either of his two runners. Fair Salinia or Glinting, will be quite goth enough to will worst may be a sub-standard

Estate is trained by Jeremy Hindley, who thought that he would be a good two-year-old before he went wrong. And a penalty may not prevent Rockery from winning the Esning Handicap at the expense of Conffer. When she won her last race at Newbury Rockery beat a filly named Pas de Deux, who had won her previous race at Windsor by 12 lengths.

The champion jockey Partick Eddety will not be riding at Newmarket teday, but he will be at Brightom where Beethoven (3.30) and Saros (4.30) should be capable of increasing his taily still further.



Sandfleet (left) beating Amberst and Petite Plaisir in the Bexley Stakes at Goodwood

Blyth's Folly fails to boost April

The 9-2 offered against Saturday's Cambridgeshire favourite. April, looks poor value after the defeast of Blyth's Folly at Goodwood yesterday. Blyth's Folly, who chased April home at Newbury 10 days ago, started 5-4 favourite for the imonsdean Handicip. She came from the rear to dispute the lead at the distance, but was ourstayed by half a length by Bright Decision, who has been withdrawa from the Cambridgeshire.

On a strict reading of the form, April's chance is no better than most.

Price had to settle for anothers was of a length by Sailler, trained by Price's furn National Hunt jockey, Paul Kelloway bought Sandfleer IJ.300 guineas because the was so similar to his sire, Sailler anything else in the race. But Ryan Price, who trains Blyth's Folly and saddles the second favourite, Bersy Ross, in the big race on Saturday with William Carson in the saddle,

hors better than most.

Price had to settle for another second when Amberst was colored at the distance in the Bealey Stakes and beaten three-quarters of a length by Sandflett, trained by Price's former National flunt jockey, Paul Kelleway.

National Hunt jockey, Paul Kelleway.

Kelloway bought Sandfleer for 13,300 guineas because the colt was so similar to his sire, Sandford Lad, that fine sprinted who Kelleway knew well in the Price stable. Kelleway said: "This colt is still a big haby. I don't know how good he is. He carseverything you put in front of him and won't work at home."

Tennenheers, who outclassed five

improving with every outing and may go for the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket on October 14. This 10,000 guineas fool stormed five lengths clear of Peter Walway's Magnitude in the last two furlongs, with Giab a further six lengths away, third.

Dennis McKay, who had an uppet stumach, missed the ride on Hora Royale who finished second to Sovereign Ford in the Hora Royale who finished second to Sovereign Ford in the Fheasantry Stalies, and Schuart Matthews, the trainer, thought that his enforced jockey switch toot him the race. John Reid deputised for McKay and Matthews said. "John rode a super tace and did absolutely nothing wrong, but it was his first ride on the filly. She's a very tricky customer indeed.

QC digs in over ban on three cricketers

By John Hennessy
Sports Editar
Mr Robert Alexander, QC, continued his opening address through the whole of yesterday, the second day of the case brought against the cricketing authorities by Mr Kerry Packer and three of his contracted players in the High Court. Hour after hour a variety of documents were examined, to

Court. Hour after hour a variety of documents were examined, to such wearying effect that Mr Alexander himself sympathized with John Snow, one of the defendants, for not being able to carry his bat.

The other plaintiffs are Tony Greig and Michael Procter. The defendants, for whom Mr Michael Kempster, QC, is leading counsel, are the International Cricket Conference (ICC) and the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB). Mr Packer and his players are seeking to bave a ban on their playing county and Test cricket lifted.

among the documents examined was the contract between the TCCB and Robert Woolmer, of Kent, for the MCC (ie England) tour of India, Sri Lanka and Australia last year, which Mr Alexander argued compared unfavourably with those given to his players, of whom Mr Woolmer was the

ably with those given to his players, of whom Mr Woolmer was one.

It was for the sum of £3,000, including a kit allowance of £250, plus £3 a day expenses. He was allowed to carry no advertising insignia; he could be accompanied by members of his family only for a brief period with the express approval of the tour manager; and if he was sent home for misconduct or "because of a breakdown" be would receive only prorate payment.

When Mr Justice Stade pointed out that that would apply also If he was injured on the field; Mr Alexander agreed. There would be no payment if, for any reason, the tour was called off.

Mr Alexander brought up the subject, it seemed, more in sorrow than in anger, and only because the defence were pleading that the commacts drawn up by Mr Packer's organization, World Series Cricket (formerly JP Sports), were unsatisfactory. "We are committed", he said. "In

Sports), were unsatisfactory. "We are committed", he said. "In paying in any case." The Packer contracts, he had disclosed the day before, were worth £12,000 upwards.

the TCCB's claim of the benefits of playing county cricket, in par-ticular the possibility, at the end

of one's tareer, of becoming an umpire " at £2,000 a year or whatever the figure is ". Engagements for counties were haphazard and Greig's two-year contract with Sussex was unusual. To ban players from county

ricket simply because they could not be members of a Test team was a new coccept. "The evidence is before your years, he said. Gooffrey Boycett had medeb need unavailable for England in 1975 and 1976 but it had not The rules do stipulate that a player chosen for a Test match who declined could not then take who declined could not then take part in another match at the same time. In practice, what happened was that the player let the selectors know, as Boycott had done, and he was not chosen. Thus was a crisis averted. The use of the term "defaulting players" by the IOC "makes the language boggle. The idea that men under no contract could be held to be defaulting!"

For much of the time the pro-ceedings seemed to have little to do with cricket. In particular lin-lish cricket, as Mr Alexand; it sought to persuade the judge that the Australian Bourd of Congret.

the Australian Board of Control, and its tight links with the Australian Broadcasting Commission (ABC), were responsible for the pass we had come to.

The Board of Control was received to cricket's good or its dottlement" and indistood in the received more attractive offers from Air of more attractive offers from Vir

Mr Robert Parish, chairman of the "lordy" Board of Control, had said he was "more concern if had said he was "more concern a with coverage than mone " and had joined forces with the ATC in trying to force the TCCB into a lower bid for the Australian series in England during the postsummer. It perhaps was no monder that they could not pay their players properly and that, the players had to some extent taken matters into their own hands.

The hearing continues today. The bearing continues today, when Tony Greig is expected to be the first witness.

Newmarket programme

(Television (IBA): 2.0, 2.30, 3.5 and 3.35 races)



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2.30 TEYES CENTENARY HANDICAP (2-y-o : £2.641 : 1m)

3.5 CHEVELRY FARK STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £37,381: 6f)

4.10 EXNING HANDICAP (3-y-0: £2,180: 15m) | DAMING MAININGAP (5-y-0; 24,100; 12,100; 3, Mercer 5, 112,202 | Danish King (D) (H. Jool), H. Cocil, 4-10 . 3, Mercer 5, 112,202 | Danish King (D) (H. Jool), H. Cocil, 4-10 . 3, Mercer 5, 12,202 | Consert (D) (J. Manshrop), B. Hobbs, W-B . Taylor 5, 101040 | Consert (P) Richards), H. Price, B-11 . Soxton 2, 101040 | Consert (P) (King W. Armstrong), T. Wangh, B-11 . Soxton 2, 123000 | Gleaming Wave (D) (Cheveley Park Stad), B. Lumers, K-1 B. Raymond 8, 122212 | Rockester (D) (Sir P. Oppenheimer), H. Wrson, S-7, Foy 1 022212 Rockester (D) (Shr P. Oppenhelmer), H. Wra05, 8-7, For 1 014 Country See (Lord Leverhubne), R. Hamshinn, S-0 1, Reid 4 700327 Rockery (D) (P. Hamsey), R. Smith, 7-17, P. Cool 1020110 Lady Lambaum (D) (T. Kanasashi), R. Mills, 7-17 R. Sures 9 130104 Honesser (C,D) (Dr G. Cantinada), L. Causant, 1 Carson 11 514. 0-40370 Mr Playbirds (Roldvale Ltd., N. Calleghan, 7-9 W Carson 11 7-2 Comovs. 4-1 Rockeys. 6-1 Danish King, Confer. 7-1 Rockeyser, 8-1 Junella, 10-1 Country Bec. 12-1 Honesgor, 16-1 others.

4.40 QUY STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £1,251: 11m) 00 Remeis (V. Matthews), C. Brittsin, 8-11 M. Thomas 2 015 00000 Sparking River (B) (Mrs G. Edward), M. Haynes, 8-17 014 300-023 Sugar Cookle (J. Whiney), J. Tree, 8-11 L. Piggott 6-4-6 Besort Per, 4-1 La Creperit, 6-1 Sugar Cookle, 8-1 Asilah, 12-1 Major isle, 20-1 others.

Goodwood results

2.0 (2.2) BEXLEY STAKES (2-y-6: £1.062: 5/) sendings, ch. by Sanford Lad-Come Aboard (M. Fine), 4-0 Come Aboard (M. Fine), 4-0 Amberst B. Taylor (11-8) 2 Potte Plajer A. Barciay (13-1) 3 5 12n. TOTE: Win. 14p: forecast 20p. P. Kelleway, at Newmarket. 31, 51, j lmta 14.75sec.

2.30 (2.31) LIMBKILN STAKES (2.5-0; \$2.013; 77) Tanzenbers, Ch. C. by Thatch-Robuke (Mrs. S. Arneld), 9-3 J. Marcer (11-8 Dv) 7 Magnitude . P. Eddery (11-4) 2 Glab . B. Rouse (11-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 5-2 Brigade of Guards 480, 26-1 Kenri-3, 50-1 Partnerplan, 180, 26-1 Kenri-3, 50-1 Partnerplan,

ENERGY AND LESS TO THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT 5.0 (5.1) PHEASANTRY STAKES 13-y-0: £1.053: Thi Sovereign Ford, b C. by Sovereign Park-Plantie Ford (F. Ryde & Sons Ltd.) 9-0 B. Rouse (20-1) 1 Sons Ltd.) 9-0 B. Reid (10-1) 2 Hara Rayste J. Reid (10-1) 3 Sorret Enlet ... H. Ballautine (6-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 5-2 for Mauritania, 5-1
Pop A Long. Scrapalot, 10-1 Impagative,
Stream. 13-1 Baraldi | 4th., Comat.
Promains. Sorgeom Jim. 16-1 Logal
Laird, Protty Girl. 20-1 Tanaro. CamDua. Mid-day Mint. 17 can. Dua, Mid-day Mills 17 fan. TOTE: Win, 25.44; places, £1.45, £1.46. 189; duai forecast, £1.48 (Winner Wift any Other Horse). Winner Wift any Other Horse).

5.30 '5.35' SETTRINGTON MANDICAP 15-y-0: 21.774: Int.
Qui Va La, b c by KlaironQuentida (Lady Litharen, 8-11 colden Vow . 5. Idm 15-27 2
Celestial Gem B. Rouse 111-4 fav. 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 Room Service, 9-2
Mente Acrio, 8-1 Rouning Cloud (44h).
9-1 The Don. 14-1 Sticky Gin. 55-1
Rushey Bay. 9 fan.
TOTE: Win. £1.92' picces. 5-19. 3-19.
200: dust forecast, 13-51. Sir M.
Prescott Newmatket, Nd. 61: Meety
Mukisteer did not ram. 4.0 (4.5) COCKEO HAT HANDICAP

15-y-o: 21.527: 1'-m'

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Georgian Girl K. Pinnington (11.2) 2

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R. Street (85-10 fay) 3 ALSO RAN: 5-1 Neodless, Prince Lancing, 14-1 Hampshire, Attractic Bridge 14th. Oppressor, 16-1 Liese.

Brighton programme 2.0 WATERHALL STAKES (£647: 1m)

2.30 RACE HILL HANDICAP (2-y-o fillies: £1,094; 6f) A01300 Square Note (D.B.), A. Jurits, 4-5 200200 Regian Melecy, R. Bannon, 8-0 Thirty, Sinbst, D. Thom, 8-0 10000 Olfs Coupes (B), R. Armstrang, 7-12 20034 Set Effect, S. Switt, 7-5

3.0 ERIC SIMMS HANDICAP (£1,752: 7f)

4.0 TELSCOMBE HANDICAP (£1,147: 11m) P. Edders
P. Valuros
M. Miller
J. Rowe 7
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S. Buendove 7
J. Lynch
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4.30 STEINE STAKES (3-y-0: £987: 14m)

2.15 SCONE HURDLE (Novices: 5381: 2m)

2.45 TAMEROSIA STEEPLECHASE (£340 : 2m) 3.15 TAY HURDLE (£804.: 2m)

1 210119 Simalities (D), W. A. Stepherson, 7-11-8 ... G. Fanking a gi0-241 Collingwood (C-D), N. Crump, 11-10-4 ... G. Fanking 6 22422 Sr. Mats (D), J. Lose, S. 10-0 ... h. Stepherson 5 224224 Sr. Mats (D), J. Lose, S. 10-0 ... D. Goolding 7 02241 Scorton Eoy (C-D), Denty Smath, S-10-0 ... Disyman 9 paidle-3 Little Swift (C-D), Denty Smath, S-10-0 ... N. Tinkley 11 ... Eallygrot, J. Drydsie, 11-10-0 ... N. Tinkley 15-2 Collingwood, 100-30 Simalityns, J-1 Scorton Soy, 5-1 Bar Haze, S-1 Little Swift, U-1 Westby Lad, 16-1 Sallygrot. Sedgefield ...

2.45 (2.50) EASINGTON HURDLE (Day 1: 5-y-0 novice: 1272: 3m) (Div 1: 8-y-0 novices: 1272; Um)
Green Mansions, ch. 9, by Lovenoss
—Entertid Velect 11-0

A. Dickman (evens) 1

Fortiors Scot S. Chariton (5-6 fav. 2

Mistins W. Rediera (55-1) 3

TOTE: Win. 128; Borecust. 260, dist, 5 fall. Denys Stotts, Bland Auctions, 6, dist, 5 cm.

5.15 (5.16) LUDWORTH HURDLE (Handicap: £272; 2m)

Word-Lad, ch 9, by Heary the Seventh Warders; -12-0

Franky Yas 8, Boulker (2-1 fav. 2), or Head. A. Coopen (5-1) 3, siso RAN: 4-1 Soldiers Field (dist), 16-1 Bechot (-4h), 20-1

Likely Boy, 6 ran, 25p; piaces, 70p, Arg. dist interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers Field (and interests, 3/p, D, McCain, Southpart, 2, 1/s, Soldiers, 1/s, Soldier

4.35 (4.46) CATLEY HURDLE (Handl-tap: 1565; 37 m)
Charle Bettle, b g, by La Prince
Cherra, 5-10-5
Contra, 5-10-6
Contra, 5-10-TYPE: Win, 25p, places, 61p, 22p; deat. Forecast. Sup. S. Morion, at Barneley, 31, 151. Barneley, Gl. 151. 5.18 (5.15) EASINGTON MURDLE (Div 11:, 5-y-a Novice: 1272: 28) Oplann Queen h f, by Kiny's Troop

—Poppy Thro. 11-11
A. Bortier (7-4 fev) †

Kaparis Pet ... P. Harmin (5-1) 2

Happits Caf. J. J. O'Nell (20-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 Seg Mystery, 15-2
Histon Green (Mr.) 14-1 Corling
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15-2 TOTE; Win, e-jp; places, 17p. 14p. 15p. 24p; display forcest, 21-76. J. Danlop, Artundel; 14-1, Danlop, D. Gonding (10-1); CAP 2-1, 24-1, Danlop, D. Gonding (10-1); CAP 2-1, A. Grant D. Manten, 19-2, 3 D. Gonding (10-1); CAP 2-1, A. Grant D. Manten, 19-2, 3 D. Gonding (10-1); Cap 2-1, A. Grant D. Manten, 19-2, 3 D. Totte; Win, App. 10-1, A. Grant D. Manten, 19-2, 3 D. Totte; Win, App. 10-1, A. Grant Botte, S. Ma. 10-1, A. at Newsarret. Set us. 3-3.

3 30 13.35: CARLTON STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o fillies: 2769; 50:

Princes Biddy, ch. f. hv San Prince
Fried Bid Use J. Fisher), 8-6

Recaliura . M. L. Thomas (5-1: 2

Grangehili ... G. Bartor (25-1: 3)

ALSO RAN: 4-5 Tribil Elye 1481,
7-1 Black Symphony, 8-1 Resource,
20-1. Contact. 23-1 Nimble Recipl,
White Domino, Sierling Luxy, 10 ran.

Devon and Exeter programme

2.15 BALFOUR HURDLE (Maidens: £340: 2m 40yd)

3.45 JOHN LUMILEY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £570: 3m 1f)

4.15 ANTHONY MILDMAY HURDLE (£676; 3m 1f) 1 4000-40 Nuc's Birthay. F. Corman. 10-12-5 ... Mr. J. Front 7 - 3-22n40 Relyst (C-D). G. Bidling, 11-12-3 ... Mr. P. Hoy 7 0402-2 Nonourable Enoch, B. Cambidge, S-11-12 ... Mr. G. Edwards 7 1000- Wader, F. Edwards. 11-11-12 ... Mr. G. Edwards 7 1000- Boor and Skiffles, A. Phit. 6-11-5 ... Mr. G. Edwards 7 1000- Boor and Skiffles, A. Phit. 6-11-5 ... Mr. G. Edwards 7 15 12-12 ... Mr. G. Edward 3-1 fromout-the Enoch 4-1 Robert 11-2 Otten Money 6-1 Lantion Water 15-3 Mat's Birtheer, 10-1 Beer and Skiltica, 16-1 Just Dreeming, 20-1 others

4.45 ACLAND STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £814 : 2m 3f)

Devon and Exeter selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Balloni. 2.45 Frederick John. 3.15 Royal Tanner. 3.45 Ebony
Rock. 4.15 Honourable Enoch. 4.45 Never Worry.

4.15 LUNCARTY STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £618: 2m) 4.45 MANSFIELD HURDLE (3-y-o novices: £340: 2m)

Perth selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.15 Corston Lass. 2.45 Even Melody. 3.15 Configence. 3.45 Colling wood. 4.15 Golden Express. 4.45 Decade.

Newmarket selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Lobela. 2.30 Youder Re Goes. 3.5 SOOKERA is specially recom-mended. 3.35 Royal Estate. 4.10 Rockery. 4.40 Remeta. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.0 Lobela. 2.30 Yonder He Goes. 3.5 Fair Salinia. 3.35 Muszer Lane 4.10 Junella. 4.40 Remeta.

Brighton selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Trumania 2.30 Noor. 3.0 Sunset Value. 3.30 Beethoven. 4.0 Oyster Catcher. 4.30 Saros. By Our Newmarket Corerspondent

2.0 Trumania. 2.30 Thirty Blinks. 3.0 Heracles. 3.30 Dancing Tulip. 4.0 Fanny Valentine. 4.30 Neil Diamond.

2.50 12.511 SIRTHORPE STAKES

12.4-6: 2541: Im 50ydst.

Tyrant Queen, ch f. by Tyrant
(USA) — Princes, imageré (W.
Clothier Leit. 3-8 /0.2 ft fav. 9

0mc-Cai P. Young (11-1) 2

Likh Malon 1. Iven (15-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-2 it law Genolul Street.
7-1 Enby Arcu (44h), 9-1 Hill Yennire, 30-1 Streiben Queen, 11-1 Sinsulari, 14-1 James, investment, Rose
Abber, Sammer, 16-1 Sammer Storf.
29-1 Flery Duchess, 35-1 Filips, 205.
Am Away-Too. Derogatory, Laura-May,
Prince Motacilla, Queen of Gypsy's,
Suny Number, Sandy Sue, Wertubia,
Weston Birtand. 25 ran.

TOTE: Win. 78p: places 12p, 37p.
Cl. 57: deal forecast, \$2 45. P. Cofe,
at Lambourn, 61. 11. TOTE: Win, 50p; plates, 23p, 11p, 56p; dual-forecast, £2.45, P. Robinson, at Novembriet, Nr. hd. Askania Novembri Jesceline did hol rus. 4.0 (4.1) WELBECK HANDICAL (3-y-0; \$1,254; 10 57) Cruck of Light, ch f. by Salvo— Clear Day (Sirs S. Joel), 9-3 G Barrier (11-10 fav) Mary Green ... R. Por (7-1) Hush Kabed, M. L. Thomas (11-2) ALSO RAW: 7-2 Faribles (4th), 11-Tin Mino, Morcy's Scien. 6 ran-TOTE: Win. 22p: places lip, Sip: foreast, 21.59. H. Godi, at New-market, 41. 41. 4.50 (4.83) BENTINCK STAKES (5875; 1/4m)

**CST5: 13,m) **Vacasety. th f. bw Bold Lnd—
Vaguely Mine (J. Astor), 3-8-2
W. Carson (4-6 Lav) 1
Sections ... A. Kinberley (5-1) 2
River Makwa ... B. Jago (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN 7-2 And Days (4th),
50-1 Mbort Radge, 200-2 Little Roosier,
Passat. 7 tan. TOTE: Win, 11p; places 11p, 67p dual forecast, 55p, W. Hern, 21 West fisier, Nt., 5th left. 5.0 (5.2) CARLYCH STAKES (Div II): 2-5-0 (1998) (765) 5f) 2-5-0 fillies: 1765: 5f)
Quartall. b f. be Hotipot—
Quentida than Faitharm 1.8-11
Free Course. W. Carson 15-2: 2
Merthern Ventury
Metheright (15-2: 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 Law Jawhara (4th),
4-1 Uille, 13-7 Lampion, 60-1 Kidder,
Red Squaw, Right Surprise, Sunspread,
10 Tan. TOTAL: Win, 21.02; places, 450, 180; 210; dual forerst, 21.86, 8. Hobbs, et Newmarkt, 11, 1'st. State of Tyrous did not run.

Mr Packer happy to call 'Super Tests' his own

Sydney, Sept 27.—The Federal Court reserved its decision today on an application for an interim injunction sought by Air R. J. Parish, chairman of the Australian Cricket Board, against Mr Kerry Packer's World Series Cricket. Mr Parish seeks an injunction to restrein world series cricket from its control of the control o restrain world series cricket from : restrain world series cricket from:
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Publishing any further advertisement in the form of an insert
which appeared in the Australian Women's Weekly last Wednectar.

eprive to any regarded by it from that the "Super Tests series" bim and did not have the board's

the best players in the world were now playing for the respondent. He said the emphasis in the publicity on the identity and skill of the players was aimed at per-sons who enjoyed Test cricket. There might be many readers of the magazine who "Wouldn't know them from a bar of scap", but the advertisement was directed but the advertisement was directed

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misleading or deceptive to any cricket matches organized by it as "Tests" or "Tests series" or "Super Tests".

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Continuing his submission to Mr Justice St John on Monday, the chird day of the hearing, Mr A. M. Gleeson, for World Series Cricket, said the point emphasized in the Women's Weekly insert was that

Roman Catholic martyrs on Anglican memorial

Roman Catholic martyrs are being commemorated by Anglicans at Westminster Abbey. They are among the subjects of a memorial to Roman Catholics and Anglicans who died for their conception of the Caristian faith at the Reformation.

the Christian faith at the Reformation.

The commemorative tablet has been placed near the tomb in which the Tudor half-sisters Marv I, a Roman Catholic, and Elizabeth I, an Anglican, are buried. The tablet, let into the floor of the Chapel of Queen Elizabeth I, will be unveiled by Lady Fisher, of Lambeth, widow of Lord Fisher, at a service of dedication on October 13.

Lord Fisher conceived the idea when as Archbishop of Canterbury he wrote in 1959: "How glorious ir would be to combine in a joint memorial all those who lost their lives fighting for or against the Reformation. Some day we shall get it but it may still be a long way out of sight."

His views came to the notice of the Dean of Westmirster. D. Edward Carpenter, who is writing Local Fisher's blography. On his recommendation the Chapter us

It is in white marble and bours the inscription: "Near the tomb of Mary and Elizabeth remember before God all those who, divided at the Reformation by different convictions, laid down their lives for Christ's conscience's sake."

for Christ's conscience's take."

The dedication service, to be held on the feast of St Edward the Confessor, the abbey's founder, will be attended by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr Coggan; the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Birmingham, Industry of the Free Church Federal Council, the Rev M. J. Williams; and the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Sculand, the Right Rev J. R. Grav

Injuries from fireworks still rising, campaign says

By Robin Young

The National Campaign for Firework Reform yesterday maintained that, contrary to government statistics, more injuries were caused by fireworks last year than in 1975.

Mr Noel Tobin, director of the campaign, said 3,700 accidents had been weated by doctors or at home up to Guy Fawkes night last year. That figure was up by 11 per cent. But the government figures, compiled only from hospital records, showed a drop of 6 per cent.

Taken together, the two surveys showed 4,385 people injured, of whom 685 were taken to hospital. A total of 168 of those were so seriously injured as to require more than a night's stay

in hospital or to be absent trom work or school. That was 12! per cent up on 1975.

Inhety-five per cent of those injured were said to be under 16, the minimum age for the purchase of fireworks. Sixty-two per cent were under 13, he said.

The Government introduced last year a voluntary limitation on the sale of fireworks to the three weeks before November 5.

Mr Tobin said his supporters had visited 621 shops between September 27 and October 15, and found that 471 were selling fireworks.

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Commuters' study club

Centre for Education, the club will run classes for about 40 com-muters on the 7.17 am train in mutters on the 7.17 am train in antiques, economics, computers, French and German on two days each week. It will have its own coach. The idea was put forward by Mr Michael Young, chairman of the National Consumer Council.

Students were selected after filling in a questionnaire handed out by Mrs Pamela Le Pelley, the organizer. She explained: "This belos me to keep up with parts of economics which would tend to atrophy", he said. "There is nothing like teaching something to other people to keep it in your own head. Before, I just used to read to ray it out as an experiment. It will continue and Chrismas and start again in Jenuary.

A commuter study club was launched yesterday on the 7.17 with other commuter lines, am train from Cambridge to London.

London.

"I feel sure it will cattin on with other commuter lines, because we have found such enthus stasm." The students are taught by experts who also travel daily tordon. to London.
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Donkey serenade at a retirement home in deepest Surrey



near Godalming, Surrey. One of the arms is newer than the others and appears to have been nailed on. It says, simply, "DONKEYS". Nothing else: no place name, no milege. It is the kind of thing that questing knights came upon in medieval romance. When they took that rurn anything could happen to them.

It was a vision of donkeys. There were dealers as time donkeys there were donkeys eating, donkeys fussing, donkeys just standing. There were donkeys in the yard, in the fields, in the barns. A posse of them were walking towards the farm with the slow purpose of old gentlemen

who, after a turn on the front, have remembered exactly what time it is. "Lovely sight", said John Lockwood dreamly. He leant on a gate, watching the gentle faces amble past. "It's their teatime". He looked up sternly. "Now isn't that better than a crowd of kids pouring

out of school?

He did not stay for an answer. In his scheme of things the Almighty did not rest on the Seventh Day but, surveying the product to date, made a last attempt at perfection. He made the donkey. At Sandhills near Godalming, Mr Lockwood has sought to make amends for the human race. There has been much in the papers about homes for battered wives. Mr Lock-wood has built a home for battered

donkeys.

He has 380 of them, the veterans of pear-bogs and milk-rounds, the discarded playthings of rich children. They have one thing in common: they are all aged be-

tween 35 and 50. They are all aged be-tween 35 and 50. They are old.

"What do they do?" echoed their host incredulously. "They do nothing of course.
They walk around and eat their heads off."

john Lockwood looks like one of those grizzled old timers who in Westerns refuse to sell their 10-acre homesteads to Lee J. Cobb. "I'm good friends with the council. I build my stables and then ask them for permission. They always say "Yes". I like people who support me. I don't like people who tell me what to do. I'd quarrel with anyone who upper me and and rinke people who tell he what to do.
I'd quarrel with anyone who upset me and
enjoy it." In Westerns he would be described as "ornery".
He is 75 years old, and a former haulage

He is 75 years old, and a former haulage contractor in Leicestershire. It was a considerable business, with 30 lorries. But the Lockwood family have a reputation for business. One of his brothers is Sir Joseph Lockwood, formerly chairman of EMI and another is Charles Lockwood, who was kidnapped twice in Argentina. "They're not animal people. Don't see much of 'em." His care for old and battered animals is a long-standing thing. "It began when I saw a donkey being ill-treated. I went into

field and clouted the bloke. I got fined £30 for assault. When I came out of the court a man came up to me and gave me £30. He said: 'Go back in and give him' one for me'."

When Mr Lockwood retired he and his wife Key moved to a house in Sussex which had a small paddock. They began visiting the sales where the Irish work donkeys were sold. Within a fortnight there were six donkeys in the paddock. When they moved to their present farm in 1965, they had 99. Now 380 roam his 60 acres. In addition there are 30 horses, aged up to 40, old show-jumpers, old pets, eight goats, two pigs, eleven sheep, a dear that had been half-blinded in a car accident, cats ("don't mention cats to me"), and a swan. When Mr Lockwood retired he and his

cats ("don't mention cats to me"), and a swan.

"It's become like a Wild West show."
Mrs Lockwood moves through it all, els borately coiffeured, as though on her way to a cocktail party.

But the only guests would be the animals. The Lockwoods do not entertain, do not go on holiday. Food and vets' bills come to £84,000 a year.

"How do I do it? Robbed the railway," said John Lockwood. "Got it all buried."

said John Lockwood. "Got it all buried somewhere. I was the Great Train Robber, I don't know how we do it. One day you're convinced you'll go broke. But the next day something always happens. You've got to be rich to start something like this, but you're poor soon enough."

They have a distinguished assembly of

Iney have a distriguished assembly of patrons who include the actress Susen Hampshire and the comedian Charlis Chester. They have devised schemes whereby it is possible to adopt a donkey for a small annual fee. The public visit and contribute. On their last open day, 38 buses came. But it is their own resources which keep the place going.

"The kind of money we had, we could have had a country house, a Rolls, a swimming pool, tennis courts, but nothing like this", said Mrs Lockwood. "I'd hate to live in a private house now. This is a

public house without beer."

Their one car, a battered A35 yan, stands in the yard. On the grass perimeter are the graves of the residents, with stones to "Dear Old Bill" and Dear Old Carol". Because of the advanced age of the animals who come here, death is a regular feature. Last winter 20 donkeys passed on, their deaths commemorated on their stable

doors.

Most of the donkeys Mr Lockwood buys at sales. He does not encourage gifts as people often want them back, and no animal leaves the home. "I mean, where can you be sure that they'll get a good home? People treat them as pets, as playBut some are still abandoned, left field to the gate like elderly foundlings. The RSPCA provided the swan Mr Lockwood has little time for the RSPCA. "If they've got a couple of bloody chickens they say they're full up. One of their chaps was complaining the other day because he'd got 30 cats. Why, we've got 35 cats in the house all the time. I go to bed sometimes because there's no room."

He does not tour the sales now because

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the Irish, apparently, have started to look after their donkeys. ("They've had to. There are fewer of them.") In the old days it was nothing for him to attend a sale and bring back 30 of them, half-starved from the boat. A surprising number of visitors come in from the Eastern block countries. Com-

munists, according to Mr Lockwood, tend munists, according to Mr Lockwood, tend to be very kind to animals. But he does not remember a single Italian visitor: it does not surprise him.

All the 380 have names, and he knows them by name. Vera, Dylan, Freddie, Valerie. Josephine, Davy Jones. He moved among them, and they butted him fondly, pushing him and licking his hands. But most of the time he just warrhes

But most of the time he just watches them as they wander from field to manger. There is no hurry in this world. He sas two men to help on the farm,

and a young girl Janet Charles, aged 25, who will eventually take it over The donkeys who arrive here are all given a vet's examination first. In the carry days some of the donkeys who came; were in such a bad-condition that, tronic a ally, Mr Lockwood was the subject of some

complaints to the RSPCA. "Can you see one that looks miserable? he said. "If you see them in life enjoying their last few years it gives you pleasure."

their last few years it gives you pleasure; it.
Oh, they're happy."
One of his patrons, Lady Alison Follet; a wife of a former director of the Science. It Museum, is a regular visitor. "It's a won'll deriud piace. You just look at them it's a their stalls and all you hear is this soft it.
Contented munching."
There are no carts here, no whips, no it is shouting. Human beings are just useful. It companions in old age. Mr Lockwood? "watched the long files plod back to the offields after the serious business of tea. It is it would be a strange perspective if every an mankind met an alien life-form in the me universe. A test of our civilization coulde at then well be the way we have treated the's ble rest of Creation. Mr Lockwood would not file seem that eccentric. seem that eccentric.

He shrugged. "Well, someone's got to do something for them."

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Bringing a touch of old fashioned magic

When Maureen and Bridget Boland wrote their book Old Wives' Lore for Gardeners, they were living in the country near the three-country borders of Surrey, West Sussex and Hampshire. They had made an unusual, delightful garden in recently-cleared woodland, on a light sandy soil on a steep hillside facing due south, "in a little suntran of a valley".

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The two sisters had been planning it for seven years, working together at weekends and in holidays when they left their London home. Maureen worked at Hatchards, and Bridget was well known as a playwright, screen-writer and novelist. This was their third garden. Their first had been at the family home in Pimilco; the second, on clay in Kensington, where they had coped with soil difficulties to produce such an unusual 20ft by 20ft back garden, that it had to be "opened by request, in aid of the District Nurses Fund, and was much admired."

Because this town garden was so small, they had used mirrors set in arches, to "give it a feeling of depth." There was no need for mirrors in the country, and the only need they had in the woodland clearing was advice on how to deal with such a light soil.

Some of the advice that they had been given by local people, or perhaps by anyone that was selected.

Some of the advice that they had been given by local people, or perhaps by anyone they asked, they put into Old Wives' Love. "We wrote it for a giggle", Bridget said when I first met her earlier this year, "and it started romping home." She was left with a riotous success, for Maureen only saw the book shortly before she died.

she died.

This first gardeners' lore book came out at just the right time to catch the Christmas market. It was light, easily postable, which Maureen had insisted was needed, and just the right mixture of wisdom and levity, to appeal to a wide public. It was also attractively produced, with the line descriptions from Thomas with its line decorations from Thomas Bewick and his school of artists, and from Gerard's Herbal.

Not surprisingly this year, Bridget Boland's publishers were anxious that she should produce a second book, a follow-up, as it were, so Gardeners' Magic and

into the garden

Other World Lore is the result. When I first met her, she said that she was enjoying working on this companion volume, using materials in the follow-up book "that we had reluctantly put aside, plus some additions, many of which have been sent to me by readers of our first book."

I first heard her speak to a writere circle end realized then that her facility for recognizing the weaknesses of human nature, including her own, had lifted her audience into a state where they thought that everything she had achieved was simple, that they could all go home and write just as good a book and have the same brilliant sucress with it, as she and Maureen had done. But writing books and making gardens is not easy.

Actually this Hampshire garden, where

Maureen had done. But writing books and making gardens is not easy.

Actually this Hampshire garden, where old roses and clemaris climb up into tall oaks, or beeches or holly trees, "to make them look as if they are flowering trees", or else are pegged down to the earth to act as weed-smotherers, has been influenced by Bridget Boland's idea of perfection. There is a garden, at Ninfa, near Rome, where "at the turn of the century, Prince Caetani as a little boy had found, among the family's too-many estates, a forgotten village, plague-stricken in the maddle ages, and asked for it for himself and brothers to play in, as another child might a broken shed.

"Now roses, wistarias, bougainvilleas, climb all over everything, creepers drip from bridges into water, you come round a clump of trees upon a whole clearing of lupins, or look through the window of a roofless ruin to a floor of peonies, and see pine trees, that have strange blue flowers growing on them, budded in like mistletoes. There are gardeners galore, of course, but you'd swear that no one had been there since nature took over in 1300-and-dot. Magic."

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Another garden which has always been at the back of Bridget Boland's mind was the original, she is sure, of E. Nesbit's Enchanced Castle. "It was made by an eighteenth cantury prince, who, when he was visiting his estate, saw a wild rock-strewn valley and said to his steward, 'I want the whole valley to be a garden

sparse, erect spruce.
"I'm trying to make it look as if there

must once have been a garden here and it it's taken over the surrounding jungle hid he rather than vice versa; but there's a lor at day

to do."

All good sardeners aim for a natural spirit landscape enhancing look, and know how lat he difficult it is to achieve. But Bridge I The Boland has succeeded in her sumit valley we all and I think it is a reflection of her literary, work, and gives the same delightful in the impression of her ability to create simplify under city out of both inspiration and disciplined lied of effort, as her gardeners' hore books do.

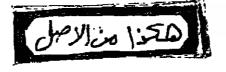
"I think it's perfect", I said, as we issage walked from terrace to terrace, and piral dragonifies flow overhead and led us down! No to the pound in the bottom, which the it we sisters had had dug out, as well as heving a neother little ponds, "because Maureemont loved water."

"But", Bridget said, "it's eccentric, do though, you must admit that."

I do not altogether agree, for like her books her garden has achieved a trement sto dous simplicity and gives a fascinating time insight into her life, her knowledge of pann beauty, her great sense of fun, and her it. ability to live a thinking and individual feet, late.

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Gardeners' Magic will be published nex week by The Bodley Head, at £1.95.





The new 2-3 litre V6 Cortina Ghia

Smooth performance and refinement in a car that's built to last

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uying a car can involve you which so often sets the standard others are judged by. It's smooth and precise and almost impossible to catch napping. Its ratios match the power of the 2.3 litre engine to give impressive and continuous performance at all speeds with plents to

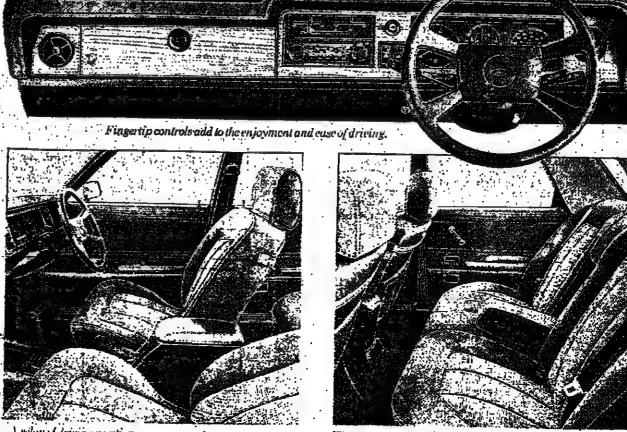
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William Rees-Mogg analyses the equation of British poverty

One Dutch man hour = two British man hours

The British disease is low manpower productivity; too many man hours per unit of output. It is an underlying cause of all the other weaknesses in our economy. It is the inevitable consequence of one alarming fact. Almost throughout British industry, managers have lost the most essential power of management. They cannot decide how many people they will employ to carry out a particular job. The ordinary housewife can decide whether to employ one Boy Scout or two to clean her car; Sir Charles Villiers cannot decide whether to employ 50 men or 200 to make a bar of steel. He knows that the British steel industry is overmanned, and to a gross degree. He can do little about it. Most of the rest of British management including the management of Fleet Street—is in the same position. This article is not concerned primarily with Fleet Street, but we are as an industry a striking example of low productivity

caused by restrictive labour practices.
The trade unions on not exercise industrial discipline themselves, but they are strong enough to prevent managers doing so. This has created a deadlock in British industry in which nobody can give orders on how labour shall be used. Because the unions will not give them, and will not normally ogree to management giving them, labour is wasted. Each man pro-duces less than he might; each man is poorer than he ought to be. The real wages of every worker in British industry are artificially reduced, because of agreements to waste manpower. Yet the job the work they represent is wasted; shadow employment of this kind is never as secure or as rewarding as profitable employment in profitable industry. Everyone suffers, but the first to suffer is the worker himself. so protected can never be safe, because

Productivity in British manufacturing industry, in mining, in rail transport and in major areas of state service, is in general extremely low. It is difficult to establish an average. Thirteen years ago it was estimated that British manufacturing productivity was only half—and in many instances less than half—the North American level*: in the last 13 years Benelux, Germany, France and Japan have approximately caught up with the North American level, but Britain has fallen even farther behind. Extreme instances can be given in which British productivity is only one fifth of the German level or only one tenth of the Japanese level in particular industrial eperations. Even in Productivity in British manufacturing particular industrial operations. Even in our most efficient industries, such as chemicals or electronics, we do not match
the highest world standards of labour use.
In circumstances where the freedom to
use labour is equal, British management
seems to be only marginally less efficient
than North American management. North American firms operating in Britain do not achieve levels of productivity equal to those that they expect in North America or Germany, though their levels of productivity tend to be somewhat higher than the average of their locally owned British competitors. In the United States, the productivity in British owned companies seems to be as high as in ocally owned American companies. The fairest comparison of management is be-tween the productivity attained by British and American international companies

*" Half Time Britain", By William W. Allen, The Sunday Times, March 1, 1964.

outside their home markets. There is no evidence of any significant difference. British management does not waste labour when it is free not to do so; it does waste labour in Britain because it is not allowed to manage as efficiently as it would wish

The contrast between the efficient use of non-labour resources and the inefficient use of labour is notable in Brush Airways. As Mr Michael Becket showed in a recent article (19.9.1977) in the Daily Telegraph, output per man in British Airways—that in the handling of freight and passenger traffic—is only 36 per cent of that in PanAm, 47 per cent of Japan Airways, 60 per cent of KLM and 76 per cent of Air France. But British Airways output per aircraft is very high by international standards. That supports the national standards. That supports the view that British management is effi-

cient in the use of resources which management is free to manage. The professional competence of manage-ment can therefore only account for a small part in the differences of produc-tivity that are observed. Nor can the difference be accounted for by the quality of labour. Where there are few con-straints on maximizing productivity, as in griculture with its small work force per agriculture with its small work force per farm, or in some small scale plants, British productivity per man is high or year high by international standards. Large plants, with strong union branches not accepting union instructions, show the most disastrously low levels of productivity, not only because of overmanning, are because output is frequently

the problem that confronts the manager in industry can be stated quite simply; he has existing machinery which or the United Stares, but his work force may be accustomed to a manning level of anything from 2X to 5X. If the British manning level is 2X then the product will probebly be internationally competitive, because British wages are approximately half German or American wages at the present rate of exchange. If the manning levels are 5X then the product will not be internationally com-positive and the plant will probably be running at a substantial loss. The manager has the choice between closing the factory or trying to raise productivity to or above the minimum competitive

This almost invertably meets with resistance inside the plant. The union executive will often be sympathetic to the management's desire to raise productivity and save the factory. In some cases the unions, and there will usually be more than one union involved, will put sufficient pressure on the men to The British manning may then be reduced from say 3.5 times m 2.5 times the North American standard. At their most responsible—and unions usually are responsible in intention—the trade unions still see themselves as the advocates for their members, even when the members are damaging or destroying their own liveli-boods. If overmanning is industrial boods. If overmanning is industrial suicide—and it is—the unions regret the suicide but defend to the death their

members' right to commit it.

In general, however, the unions will not put sufficient pressure on their men, except when closure is imminent, to

The Increase in Productivity 1955-74 (Gross value added per man hour in manufacturing)					
	Level 1974 UK=100	Rise 1955-74 per cent	Rate of increase UK=100		
Netherlands	196	228	248		
Belgium	179	210	228		
France	167	166	180		
Germany	162	171	186		
Italy	103	185	201		
United Kingdom	100	. 92	100		

Based on Chart 2 of A. T. Jones Output, Employment and Labour Productivity in Europe since 1955 National Institute Economic Review, August, 1976

We, the representatives of the Trades Union Congress, the Federation of British Industries, the British Employers' Corpora-tion, the National Association of British Manufacturers, and the Association of British Chambers of Commerce accept that major objectives of national policy must be :-

Oto ensure that British industry is dynamic and that its prices are competitive;

Oto raise productivity and efficiency so that real national output can increase, and to keep increases in wages, salaries and

other forms of income in line with this increase.

Oto keep the general level of prices stable.

We therefore undertake, on behalf of our members: to encourage and lead a sustained attack on the obstacles to efficiency, whether on the part of management or of workers, and to strive for the adoption of more rigorous standards of performance at all levels.

The Joint Statement of Intera on Productivity, Prices and Incomes: Lancaster House; December 16, 1964

achieve more than modest gains in proachieve more than modest gause in pro-ductivity. They will, however, certainly prevent the employer closing the com-petitive gap by inaking redundant the men who are not needed and ordering the remaining men to work the equip-ment to the North American or German standard of productivity. If the manager tries to do this, then he will be resisted by strike action and the strike action will. by strike action and the strike action will almost certainly be supported by all the unions concerned. All the employer can do is to batter eway at union resistance, thip by thip, until he has raised productivity from a deplorable to a merely defective level. This is at present the main concern of a high proportion of the main concern of a high proportion of the best of British managers. It is their daily work. In the meantime our competitors commune to make more repid progress from a higher level of produc-tivity. And they have more executive ime to devote to the other needs of their

It was at one time argued that the cause of this low productivity was that workers resented private capitalism and that public ownership would allow productivity to rise. The opposite has a timed out to he the case. In general productivity to rise. The opposite has turned out to be the case. In general, productivity in publicly owned industries is below that of private industries. The steel industry, for example, even with the added socialist incentive of the unions' loyalty to a Labour Government, has notably low productivity by international standards; the gap was wide at the point of nationalization and is now wider. The criterion of profitability asserts a criterion of profitability asserts' a

continual pressure for higher productivity in private industry. Even that pressure is not sufficient to bring British productivity in private industry up to international standards, but where the pressure of profitability is weak, the levels of productivity fall even farther below the competitive level.

A number of consequences flow from this. As British productivity is below the this. As British productivity is below the international competitive level, Britain's standard of living has fallen below the level of other advanced industrial countries. We create less real wealth per person and we are therefore only able to consume less real wealth per person. British investment is artificially depressed. This occurs for two reasons. The first is that investment in new The first is that investment in new equipment must be less profitable in a country where that new equipment will not be operated to maximum efficiency or to the North American standard of productivity; investment naturally flows towards efficient producers, and avoids restrictions on production. The second is that manufacturers already have equipment which is overmanned and are therefore not interested in introducing new equipment which—if it saves them anything—will save them less labour than could be saved merely by obtaining improved ranning agreements. If you have to employ 27 men on a machine that could be worked by eight, you look with indifference at a new machine that can be worked by only six men.

productivity and the low investthat is consequent upon it

naturally lead to few employment and to Because British industry is not competitive in productivity, the long-term trend of the currency is to fall; once the benefits of North Sea have been discounted, that long-term trend will inevitably reassert itself.

As productivity increases so slowly, even modest wage increases outstrip it and can only be financed by inflation or off-set by a rise in anemployment. In the 1970s wage increases have not always been moderate and this has put still greater pressure on government to inflate.
When real wealth is not being created, the tempration to create more money wealth is at its greatest.

Another consequence is that capital and talent move from areas where there are restrictions on productivity to areas where the restrictions are weak or nonwhere the restrictions are week or 13011-existent. This is the process which has-been called "the de-industrialization of Britain" and it will not be reversed by an arbitrary and wasteful forced investment at low or negative returns in certain parts of British industry. To some extent the growth of invisible trade has offset the losses on visible trade. Britain has earned large sums from the service industries where we are competitive, and those partly offset the failure to earn in areas where we are not. Unfortunately, a substantial proportion of the labour that substantial proportion of the labour treat-has left manufacturing industry has been absorbed in non-productive government and local administration, where the unions are also strong, productivity is low and the test of profitability is, of course, non-existent. This growth of non-productive bureaucracy imposes an equally non-productive counter bureau-cracy on industry; people who are paid to answer letters from civil servants are

The purpose of restrictive practices and The purpose of restrictive practices and over-manning is to preserve jobs. It is obvious that over-manning has in fact destroyed very large numbers of jobs. At the end of the war Britain was still the most important shipbuilding country in the world, producing 38 per cent of the tonnage is unched. Our Shipbuilding industry is now totally unimportant in world terms, producing 4 per cent of the tonnage launched, and if it disappeared altogether no one outside Britain would altogether no one outside Britain would suffer serious inconvenience. The present

suffer serious inconvenience. The present weakened state of the British shipbuilding industry is the result of low productivity. If productivity had been higher, many more men would be employed in the industry.

The same thing is apparent in the automobile industry. Because of low productivity and irregular work the British car industry has lost half its home market; in 1965 95 per cent of cars sold in British were British made, in 1977, 55.5 per cent. The cars that are not sold because of past failures of productivity represent jobs that do not exist. In the and low productivity can actually destroy an industry and leave visually no jobs an industry and leave virtually no jobs at all. This happened historically in Britain when the textile industry of the south-west failed to match the producti-vity of the textile industry of the north. One can still see the empty textile factories of Shepton Mailet, a monument to past resistance to change. Low productivity means low profitability means low investment means high.

unemployment. Overmanning keeps me in jobs now, but closes the factory late It is difficult to measure precisely the cost of over-manning to the Britis economy. That must depend on the perio in which it is assumed that over manning would have been corrected and on it capital investment that would have bec stimulated by higher productivity, however the unions had made a realiof the productivity assurances given the time of the preparation of the Labor Government's National Plan of 1965, pr duced when Lord George Brown was ; the Department of Economic Affairs, il gross national product would probably ! now about 50 per cent higher than it Prices would be substantially lower ar the pound would probably stand between \$2.50 and \$3.00. On ideal assum tions we would all be at least twice well off-and would enjoy better soci services-if British manning levels h been reduced to the North Americ standard. This is wealth everybody h lost, and those who have least weal could least afford to lose it. Overmanoiin the coal industry is the cold grate f the old age pensioner, as well as low pay for the miner. It is a way in whi man hurts himself and his neighbour

During the 1950s and 1960s the Briti weatness in productivity was partly he den by the continuing world boom. Oil countries had much better growth rail. but our economy did commue to gro Other countries expanded their expo-but our exports continued to sell As

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have experienced in the 70s, hard tim are hardest for the least compentive have had a sharp fall in the standard living of many of our people, a decline our social services and on growth at a If the world is now desimed to me into a recession next year, then t British economy will face the pressu of more efficient competitors at a tir when every nation is struggling to retaits share of world trade. In times of proits share of world trade. In times as an perity low productivity is extreme damaging—it has cost all of us the detector between the British standard living and the German or French Indian of stump low productivity is not of damaging it is very dangerous. If o response to a recession should be of further retreat into job saving sold deliberate over-manning them that dain will certainly prove a disaster. On the productivity to international levels. productivity to international levels, could have a unique period of grow prosperity. All we have to do to day our standard of living is to become

efficient as the Dutch. Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977

Bernard Levin

The North Sea Gas Board rides again

man they bired last time to hear the brunt, that I would never bully the North Thames Gas Board in public again. But what they have just done (and they haven't finished doing it yet, eltier) to poor Mrs Paul yet, elther) to poor Mrs Paul of Kensington is so frightful, and so appallingly reminiscent of the very worst examples of their wickedness recounted to me by my readers last time, that I think a salutary boot in the rump is now called for. Pausing, therefore, only to smear the toe of the boot with the dealer areas prices of the South American Indians. I awing back my leg, and. . . . On June 2, Mrs Paul rang the Gas Board's branch in High

Street, Kensington, to announce that the water heater for her bath was out of order. A mere 11 days later, two men called and took the offending device to pieces; they told her that it needed some new parts, and that these would take a week

Har her her. A further 12 days went by ("A Gas Board week is a long time in politics"
—Harold Wilson), and Mrs
Paul found the three parts on her doorstep, with a note that tells us more about the Gas Board's inefficiency than any number of examples of their

I swore, not least to the nice inefficiency could tell: "You no doubt steps are even now man they bired last time to will be informed", it ran, being taken to avoid the danhear the brant, that I would "when it is convenient for us get of such personal visits in

Well, I could have told her, if she had had the sense to ask me, that she would not be informed about that or anything else; nor was she. So even-tually she rang High Street Kensington again to make an appointment to have the foundslip-up then occurred, for which I imagine somebody will certainly be sacked as soon as this coltamn appears: the appointment was kept. The fitter put the heater together again, incorporating the new parts as he did so, and Mrs Paul had a bath in her own bathroom for the first time in a mouth or so.

is a nice clean Mrs P. thinking mollified thoughts about the Gas Board, and doubtless concluding that that horoid Mr Levin is a terrible hard man to please. Har har har; for it seems that at that point the newly repaired water heater began to leak water in con-siderable quantities. So the patient soul went round to the Gas Board in the High Street (she had the advantage of liv-ing just round the corner, and

stand independently, and still

Anyway, he explained, he

would not have wanted to cheer certain parts of Mr Steel's speech, so he was better off

keeping the date to autograph

books that he had made weeks ago. I did not dare to tell him that Mr Steel had made his date

As I returned to the confer-

ence hall, an elderly lady, clasping a copy of The More-cambe and Wise Special (their new funbook) ordered a man from the BBC out of her way.

to speak months ago.

You picture the scene; there

future, possibly by decreeing that all NT Gas Board custo-mers shall have their accounts and service problems dealt with by a branch not less than 20 miles from their homes), where she was met with sympathy ("Remember—if you smile at them they may go away and leave you alone "—Chairman. North Thames Gas Board); but the sympathetic ones could make no promise of another

> Mrs Paul then had to go away on business for four days; she returned to find the bathroom floor swamped in water from a renewed leakage. (At this point I may as well jump ahead to the lest paragraph of her letter recounting the story, which reads: "Only my sense of the ridiculous has saved me from suicide". I think she prob-

ably means murder.) Round she went again to the High Street—we have now, incidentally, reached August 17, the heater having first failed on June 2-where she was met with more sympathy ("But don't overdo it"—Chairman, NT Gas Board); lo! that very afternoon a man came roundand turned off the water. (That

Pausing only to smear the toe of my boot with deadly arrow poison, I swing back my leg, and ...

> fooled you, ch? Thought I was going to say he came round and fixed it, didn't you? Har har har,) His final message was to the effect that the heater needed a new part. ("So Pve noticed"—Mrs Paul.)

> noticed "—Mrs Paul.)
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> Nothing further then happened ("And what's more, they may simply die of natural causes if you hang on "—Chairman, NT Gas Board), so on August 22, Mrs Paul went round again to Portress Gas. More sympathy, and even a little bit of explanation: "Head office has run out of spares". Renewed silence, so on August 30 back she went to the counter, where she was told that the parts would be available "in a few days". She told them than few days". She told them that she would be away from

(she says "on holiday", but I think it more likely that she was taking the week off to go somewhere where she could wash berself all over), so would they please make a note that there was no point in their sending anybody during that

Oh, you rotten lot, you've ressed, haven't you? Sure as guessed, haven't you'r sure as fane, there was a card on the mat when she got back, saying they had called on September 2, and found her absent. The card, incidentally, bore a cheery message that I think is reprinting in full:

It's easy to forget about servicing until something goes wrong or the cold weather

departments are at their office and find our where the recounted put right? And, busiest. Take out a regular parts were. This he did, turn a corollary to that questo service contract—we have ing away from the extentions why is the North Thames (schemes for all approved appliances including central heating—and have servicing carried out when it's concarried out when it's convenient for you and for us.
Let us do the worrying—it's what we're here for. ["So that's what we're here for"—Chairman, NT Gas Board.]
Round she went again to Troy; more sympathy ("I said dou't overdo it"—Chairman, NT Gas Board) and an offer of a definite appointment on a

a definite appointment on a definite date—September 23. Unfortunately, that was the one day Mrs Paul could not manage, owing to a long-standing busi-ness, engagement. So they obligingly offered her Septem-ber 26 instead—some 17 weeks after she had first told the

after she had first told the enemy that her water heater had gone wrong.

On September 26—that was Monday of this week—a man turned up at 10.30 am. He announced that he had come to fix the water heater; she says she was greatly minded to embrace him. Restraining herself, she showed him to the heater. He looked at it, then asked her. "Have the parts come?" She stifled a scream, explained the state of play, and explained the state of play, and begged him to telephone his

ornics and find our where the parts were. This he did, turning away from the telephone with the words, "No—these parts have to be ordered specially". He then, as we journalists say, made an excuse and left. Mrs Paul, who as far as I can tall from our correspond-

ence and relephone conversa-tion, is a lady of the utmost respectability, has had one bath in her own home since June 1. It is now, as a glance at the top of this page will confirm, September 28. Tasses differ; but my own feeling, which is fully shared by Mrs. Paul, is that one bath in 120 days is an inadequare allowance. That is why I have written this column, on her behalf. And I want to add one important observation. If the precedent established in my previous foray with the North Themes Gas Board is followed (there were seven Gas Board men in my monder's flat before 10 am on the day the column appeared), Mrs Paul will shortly be able to celebrate her second bath in four months. What I want to know, even more than she does, is: why should it be necessary for the North Thames Gas Board's customers to emiss the

Board apparently unable or i willing to do the work it paid for?

I have kept the best bit is lest. On July 27 Mrs Paul, ceived a bill for £16.05, Attention to water heats. She telephoned to, as she plit, "query this " (if the Polit, be printed to the polit, be printed to the political of the it, "query this" (If me in has a minute, I think he min consider canonizing his nan sake—if the patience she h displayed is not that of a said what is?), and was told the she did not have to pay under the work was completed ("B be executed not to set a present added to the desired and a few days lar series and a few days l whoopeeeeeee! - the go lady got a revised bill, / 4 f100.50.

She took this round to the life the high Street (by then, of court life; the had long been one of the life that had long been one of the life of family) and the usual sympath life the was this time extended all the life of was this time extended an way to merriment, as well a large might be, and "the police you man" she was desting we threw the ludicrous bill into the control of the control waste paper basket, with twords You won't be want

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THE TIMES DIARY/PHS

Why there was a large gap on the Liberals' platform

Even as David Steel was appeal-ing for the hearts and minds of the Liberal faithful gathered for their assembly in Brighton, Cyril Smith was briding to increase the sales of his auto-biography at a bookshop half a mile away from the confer-ence half.

Mr Smith chose W. H. Smith's main store in the Churchill shopping centre yesterday to autograph copies of his book Big Cyril. By contriving to be aimost in two places at once, I was able to watch the boyish Mr Steel through the window of an adjacent television rental shop as he opened his peroration amid the Regency splendour of the Pavilion,

Meanwhile, over my shoulder loomed the far-from-boyish Mr Smith, who applogized to local shoppers in the concrete jungle that is Brighton's consumer glory, for being almost 20 minutes late for his signing session. As it was, reporters ournumbered buyers in the shop

by about five to one.

Was Mr Smith being rude, I message in it she said. Big asked him, by being absent Cyril, I thought, but surely not from the conference platform a double act yet?

The man from Niagara where (for reasons of quantity rather than quality) his 12 colleagues would surely mark his truancy? "Not at all "he said. "I always believe in spending my time usefully." No snub was intended, he assured me. Mr Smith's loyalty, he reminded me, was to the party and not to an individual. I was, therefore, a limb surprised when he said that he intended to resign at the next election, stand independently, and still

Away from the main stream of Liberal politics and, indeed, the endless series of fringe meetings, it was a delight to meet Joe Green, Canada's Liberal senator for Niagara who is Mr Trudeau's representative and observer at the assembly. He had come hotfoot from the Liberal International in Corsica. Corsica.

well, having spent five years in Fighter Command during the war. "I enjoy it over here; our politics in Canada is a crass game. There should not be too much philosophy in Liberal-ism", he told me.

Perhaps it is common knowledge in diplomatic circles, but I had not heard it so forcefully expressed before, that Mr Trudeau has been negotiating formally for a Canadian con-nexion with the Common Matket. Senator Green explained that such a connexion would, in the view of Canadian Liberals, help form a bridge between the United States and the EEC much as Canada once provided the bridge between America and Britain.

you with last night",

Senator Green knows Britain

Whose was that car I saw



Closed to Visitors, says a notice prominently displayed, advertising Glasgow University's open day

Still room at the top for novelists

John Braine is about to embark on a 175,000-word epic dying. It's just that novelists purify designed to cock a snook at the literary Jeremiahs who continue to prophery the death continue to prophesy the death of the novel as a serious art form. It will tell the story of a family from Bradford, from 1916 to 1976.

Mr Braine, one of those for-tunate authors who is able to discipline himself to working office hours, told me: "I felt it was time I extended myself a bit and did something

The car hater

John Tyme, the Messianic antimotorway campaigner, was delighted the other day to come ecross 2 stragging young birch tree forcing its way through the espiseit piatform at longabandoned Highgate station in

It inspired him to believe that he has only to keep chipthat he has only to keep chip-ping at the powerful road lobby for a while longer to bring an and the oil companies in the end to the concrete nightmare. process.

Seventh heaven "The English novel isn't West of Devon

Non-Cornwallians can sleep more soundly. Kernow har-bours no aggressive intentions "He doesn't just want to read about all abose compli-

cated personal relationships and the trouble the hero is having with his third wife. Novels of today are much to introspective, too narrow. It's the subject matter which is important. If the author looks to that, there's nothing to worry about.

After six monds as a fulltime campaigner against motor-ways—he was awarded a £3,000 a year grant for two years by the Rowmeree Social Services Trust-he believes that victory

The road lobby will be starmed to learn what he pro-poses so do with all the con-crete when the last car is buried. He foresees the development of a chemical which will break it down and gobble

towards them. Its defence forces will be purely defensive. Kernow (in the unlikely

event of your having forgotten) is the name the Cornish Nationalist Party will give to the land of the famous pastie, once it has been liberated from and I quote from the CNP's at Padstow a programme which landed on my desk yesterday with the kind of noise a sheep would make if it was pretending to programme.

Just to make sure there no misunderstanding about Utopes about to be born of Devon, the programme is both imperialist English a both imperiorist Engiler independent Cornish. The O nish section is full of we ywords and wwwords that is like demented Welsh, but is chapter headings Economy Sport look strangely English Kernow will certainly be place to visit. It will be state-supported 'Obby 'Oss d' at Padshow and furry dates Peripheral problems such taxation methods are not in

Blandings: a progress report

Entries for my "Where is Market Blandings?" competition continue to roll in and I expect that by November 9, the closing date, I will need extra staff to check your guesses. Though perhaps guesses is the arong word. What has astonished me is it absolute certainty with which many readers have put Market. Blandings—rightly or wrongly—on the map. No manner of doubt no possible shadow of doubt, no possible doubt whatever. One thing I should have told you is that the copy of Sonset at Blandings that will go to the five winners, will be autographed if Lody Wodehouse, Colonel Cobb (whose siting of Blandings I 254 matching against yours) and by Richard Usborne, who has edite the master's final story.



MR CALLAGHAN AND MR LYNCH

Mr Callaghan and Mr Lynch tion in Dublin has as shurp an have their first official meeting, interest as the administration in as prime ministers today. If Irish politics were more straightforward than other people's, instead of less, Mr Lynch's briefcase would be bulging with Fianna Fail's 1975 policy statement on the Northern question and his government's plans for implementing ir. The statement read

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Fianna Fail calls on the British Government to (a) encourage the unity of Ireland by agreement, in independence and in a harmonious relationship between the two islands, and, to this end, to declare Britain's commitment to implement an ordered withdrawal from her involvement in the six counties of Northern Ireland . . It is most improbable that Mr Lynch will call on the British Government to do any such thing.

In the first place he knows that he would be met by a refusal which, unless he were meekly to accept the rebuff, would put the two governments at odds. He cannot want that, especially as his government is preoccupied with its own economic problems and promises which would be even more difficult to deal with if Anglo-Irish relations were soured and there was rising tension over partition. In the second place Mr Lynch is under negligible public pressure to throw that one at the British Government (on the contrary, his public would not thank him for stirring things up), and such pressure as he is under comes from hard men in his own party whom his sweeping personal suc-cess in the June general election puts him in a strong position to disappoint. In the third place Mr Lynch can see as well as the next man that a declaration by Mr Callaghan of the kind required would agitate Ulster to a degree at which the consequences could not be foreseen but would include the possibility of civil war on the island; and, further, that the declaration if made, or even if not made but merely demanded by Dublin, would revive the prestige and support of the Provisional IRA

London.

insistence on withdrawal will not be on today's agenda, nor will contemplation by the new Irish Government of steps to render cooperation in security matters between the forces at the disposal of the two governments Mary less effective. On the Northern question (and there are other matters to be discussed by the two prime ministers, fisheries and other EEC affairs among them) Mr Lynch will be in interrogative mood, it was being said in advance. He will want to hear what the British Government's future intentions and plans for the province are, and he may have proposals to make

The fact of the matter is that the British Government has no grand design for Northern Ireland, no unfolding strategy, and a recital of its proposals for progress in that area would take, without padding about five minutes. It will maintain the union so long as that is the settled wish of the majority of the people there, it will strive for the impartial pacification of the province, it will search for new provincial institutions acceptable to the political leadership of both communities, and in the meanwhile it will administer the province directly as best it

for the extension of joint econo-

mic action between North and

South.

Since Whitelaw days the search for new institutions has been associated with the concept of "power sharing", if not always with the charged expression itself. It has remained an article of British policy long after it ceased to be realistic to expect it to come about. This seeming myopia has had its advantages Power sharing sounds like a calm and fair solution to an intractable problem, and its adoption as a policy objective has made it easier for interested but distant onlookers, like the President of the United States and the Pope, to approve British policy towards Ireland.

It has also helped to establish the present negative equilibrium in the province. So long as the Government scipulates that power sharing is a condition for the constitutional rehabilitation

of Ulster, the SDLP, which remains wedded to the idea, need not believe that they have been described; and so long as the Government says that while seeking power sharing it will not impose it, Unionist fears can be calmed. The concept of power sharing is a political tran-quillizer which has been keeping the patient quiet while the remedial application of a shrewd and determined Secretary of State and security policies which are assuredly reducing the level of violence is given a chance to

Unfortunately the unavailability of power sharing is now too nakedly exposed for it to continue its benign deception. That is one explanation of the SDLP's recent shift of weight on to that other broken leg of Sunningdale, the Irish dimen-sion. And even the Alliance party, the nice-men-in-the-middle of Ulster politics, have felt con-strained to drop their advocacy of power sharing.

Perhaps it will suffice for the

British Government to say that it will maintain the search for provincial institutions acceptable to both communities. It is to be hoped so, and it is to be hoped that Mr Lynch will allow it to be so. For the present equilibrium in Ulster, negative as it may be, is better than any of the conditions the province has passed through since 1968. It satisfies no politician there, but it is tolerable to most of the con-stituents of all of them. It is not permanent and lacks many of the elements of a "solution". But a policy which gives the people of Ulster a better six months than the previous six months and a prospect of improvement in the next six months, though it may lack grandeur, is as much as any statesman can reasonably be expected to provide at this stage in the history of these ancient

A MAJOR NUCLEAR PLAN IS UNAVOIDABLE

1973 and the quadrupling of the price of crude oil was without question a watershed in the history of postwar economic development. It marked the end of an era when industrial, economic and political thinking was based on the almost unquestioned assumption that cheap energy was part of the natural order of things. Tet the implications of which gave the countries of Opec their power as a producing cartel, have been very inadequately appreciated in the intervening years.

in whose defeat the administra-

For this there are two main reasons. First, the industrial world has been and still is in the grips of a prolonged recession. In part the intensity of that recession is itself directly due to the oil price rise itself, which depressed demand and knocked the system as a whole off balance. The result has been a marked reduction in the industrial and domestic demand for. energy in all forms below the level that would have been predicted on the trends up to 1973. This has reduced short-term

awareness of the long-term crisis. Secondly, the adjustment implied by a realistic appreciation of the present and prospective energy balance involves real changes in industrial patterns and life-styles that are neither easy, nor popular. The extreme case is the United States, for the American way of life is in many ways, built on the most profligate expense of energy-But only to a lesser degree, the whole of the industrial world is: wasteful of energy. So Img as the price of all energy, but above all of energy derived directly from fossil fuels, is William Tell Committee priced at a level which does nor adequately reflect the fact that the supply of easily accessible ime. Newspapers le and environmentally acceptable energy is limited, so long will commercial and industrial decisions about the use of energy

President Carter has with some courage faced the need to shock the American people into a realization of their responsibility to the rest of the world. His energy; programme was the first attempt from the top to change the level at which the American energy economy operates; for a similar and dept Nixon was no more than public relations exercise without. substance. But even President Carter in drawing up that programme had to accept the fact that there are entrenched interests and strong consumer desires in the United States, based on the wasteful use of energy. The resistance in the Congress to parts of his programme, like the proposal to require higher milage performance from future car models, is evidence enough that the process of political and public education in energy matters has

scurcely begun. The implications of secular energy crisis are further obscured for the United Kingdom by the happy accident of North Sea oil. As Mr Benn, at the end of his term as chair-man of the EEC Council of Energy Ministers, rightly says, by the end of this decade the United Kingdom will be one of the world's top ten oil producers and the only industrial country totally self-sufficient in energy. This is not an easy. background against which to convince public opinion about

the seriousness of the energy So far as the United States is concerned, even on the most. pessimistic assumptions about economic growth and the most optimistic assumptions about. the effects of energy conservation the demand for electricity by the end of the century cannot possibly be met without a substantial increase in the contribution of nuclear power generation. By the end of the

century, equally, the majority of industrial countries will be experiencing severe shortages of fossil fuel based energy.

The question that faces a British government is how to use the very finite resource of North Sea oil during these next two decades when, taking the short-term view alone, supply will be plentiful. Given the time that it takes to bring a new system of nuclear power generation into commission, these are decisions that cannot be shelved indefinitely.

The balance of the argument

centres on this consideration. On the one hand it cannot make sense to burn a high quality industrial feedstock like oil simply to make electricity. It would make better industrial sense to increase the proportion of the total of electricity generated by some less finite method. namely in nuclear power stations and use the oil more productively over a longer period. On the other hand, nuclear genera-tion inevitably leads into unknown and in a sense unknowable areas of technology, radiation risk and the problems of disposal of toxic waste. The current enquiry at Windscale is only serving to underline how great are the areas of uncertainty and doubt about the long-term effects of a nuclear power programme, particularly one which produces plutonium.

In the end, however, these risks will have to be faced. It is incumbent upon all governments. not only the United States, to give real meaning to their programmes for energy conservareserves we are fortunate only in the fact that the crisis is marginally less urgent for us. It gives a British government the welcome room to proceed in its nuclear programme with the utmost caution.-A major nuclear programme for the 1980s is. however, inevitable.

Recognizing the Vatican From The Warden of Latimer House

HOUSE SELECTION OF THE Sir, Those who favour the establishment of full diplomatic relations with the Varican could do their cause a service by enquiring into such relations have not existed. My impression is that the most important reason is the bull of Pope Pius v Regnans in Excelsis (1570), in which he claimed to depose Queen Elizabeth I to release her subjects from their allegionce, cand to forbid obedience on their part to her commands, and all this because of her religious policy.

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TOTAL STATE IT. THE COLUMN TO THE PARTY The claim of the papacy to be able to treat other sovereigns in his fashion, though very muted today, has never been renounced. So long as the claim was actively made it constituted a threat both to report ines 3 - competition world peace and to religious freefom Ought it not now to be erenber 9 the day ormally renounced and the built r guesses Though withdrawn? If the anathemas has actoriched burch could be withdrawn, could have put in jource, could be withdrawn, could be withdrawn. ers have put light

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way of celebrating Jubilee Year 10 establish full diplomatic relations. without at the same time dealing with this old source of conflict. I feel confident that the loyal Roman Catholic subjects of the British Crown, to whom the bull was from the beginning a dangerous embarrassment would be as happy as other Brirons to see it blotted from the record of history.

Yours faithfully. R. T. BECKWITH Latimer House. 131 Baobury Road Oxford: September 23.

Salvation Army marches From the General Secretary of the Church Pastorul Aid Society Sir, I hope that someone responsible in the affairs of Tameside Council will allay the understandable fears of General Arnold Browne, whose letter you printed on September 22. Salvationists know their history. They recall how much their pioneers—women as well as men suffered when a supine Home Sec-

retary advised magistrates that though Salvenonist processions were

every means in their power en-deavour to prevent them. But the bearers of good news were not the danger to peace. The violence came from the ruffiens deliberately primed by those who had their own reasons for seeking to destroy William Booth.

Mercifully, the Salvation Army was vindicated as General Browne's reference to a High Court judgment makes plain.

How far have we fallen if we now curb Salvationist processions because of the threat of violence by a tiny fraction of the population whose professed love of free dom and democracy is a manifest sham.

If a curb on political processions in Tameside must stand, let it be expressly declared and it would come best of all from the Home Secretary-that the "banners and of the Salvation Army bonners " are still welcome in every street in the land. What the Army has to say holds more of a key to racial harmony than anything the poli-ticians, of right or left, have to

Yours sincerely, DAVID BUBBERS, General Secretary, Church Pastoral Aid Society, Palcon Court, 32 Fleet Street, ECA.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Girls admitted to boys' schools

From the Headmaster of Merchant

Sir, Whenever I bear that yet another boys' school has admitted girls into its sixth form, I recall the interview between Mr Doolittle and Professor Hiegins where the former offers to sell his daughter to the professor for five pounds, justifying his request by pointing our that he has but the expense of bringing her up un'il she has grown "big enough to be interesting to you two gentle-A fiver per girl would be insuffi-

cient compensation for any head-mistress whose ablest pupils were transfebred to a boys sixth form! I write not only as headmaster of one of the Clarendon Schools but as one who was headmaster of an ancient, grammer school. Transincient grammer school. Transformed into an 11-16 comprehensive school by secondary reorganization it experienced the searing effect on an acodemic institution of the removal of the sixth form. I wonder if heavingsters who admit girls into if headmasters who domit girls turn their sixth forms only appreciate fully what they are doing to the innior girls and the staff remaining in those schools from which they have taken the ablest senior pupils.
We spent much time and thought at the Head-nosters' Conference last week deliberating how our members could improve the quality of educa-tion in general in this country. We shall not further our aim by decapitating our cister schools, Yours faithfully,

FRANCIS DAVEY, Hendmaster, Merchant Taylors' School. Sandy Lodge,

Middlesek. September 25.

From the Principal of Queen's College

Sir. I endorse all that the Heads of Felixstowe College and Roedean write (September 24 and 26). If Dr Rae is really only taking girls to give ment better opportunities, he should select them from schools where such opportunities are not available. As it is, his selection methods seem to ensure that he takes only girls who have already been very well raught.

What a piece of cheek!

Yours faithfully, STEPHANIE FIERZ, Principal Queen's Chilege, 43-49 Harley Street, W.1 September, 26

Defence assumptions From Mr : David Walder, MP. for Clitheroe (Conservative)

Sir, Not surprisingly, the Secretary of State for Defence, having used similar arguments himself to justify five recent defence cuts, now finds it difficult to challenge the basic assumptions of "Sense about Defence", written by his party col-leagues. There are three, and ail

are fallacious.

First, that defence expenditure should be calculated on the basis of a fixed proportion of GNP, paving no head to a nation's needs and obligations, and the nature and magnitude of the likely threat.

Second, that this proportion must be the same for all Nato allies as if their present and future needs

the argument that Britain should spend as libric as the smallest or policiest of her allies, whatever her needs and whatever ours, is respec-table and valid in the defence field, whereas it would not be accepted or supported in any other signifi-cant sphere of government expen-

Yours faithfully. DAVID WALDER,
Vice Chairman, Conservative Parliamentary Defence Committee,
House of Commons. September 23.

Money supply and prices From Lord Edlogh

From Lord Balogh
Sir, Mr Zweig, I fear, is mistaken
in his reply (September 24) to my
reminder to Professor von Hayek
of the fact that each of the components of Professor Irving Fisher's
equation MV=PT can vary (though
they all might be actuated by a
single cause) and that, in consequence, "it is wrong to define the
reaction (of the economy) by reference to the change in one component, the volume of money". He ence to the change in one com-ponent, the volume of money". He asserts that the velocity of circula-tion (V) and the volume of national product and other transactions (T) are "independent variables" the former depending on "institutional conditions", the latter on "natural resources, technical conditions, technical conditions, *. But for Professor von Hayek's etc." But for Professor von Hayek's indentification of an increase in monetary circulation as "inflation" to be correct it would be necessary for .V and T to be not merely independent variables but constants (or move in the same direction by the same production all the time) the same proportion all the timel. Even that hybrid concept, of the ratio of the gross national product

to the solume of money, masquerad-ing it official statistics under the misleading title of "velocity of circulation" bas shown violent fluctuations since our relapse into monetarism, reminiscent of the pre-Second War century. And would Mr Zweig really assert that our present output is determined by "natural resources, technical con-ditions, etc.". Did these change so drastically in the last decade as 10 account for the sixfold increase of unemployment?

Yours: etc. THOMAS BALOGIL Bailiol College, Oxford. September 26.

Mammum wage

From Miss Joyez Greig Sir, Is Mr Frank Field (September 19) baid? Hairdressers must pick up two or three times the current adult rate of £23.35 a week in tips.
(In New Zeakind the bills are higher, but there is no tipping.) Yours faithfully,

J W. GREIG. 32 Sconehills Court, College Road, SE21,

Sanctions to enforce pay guidelines

From the President of the age the Government using these to refugees Engineering Industries Association powers to force other firms to Sir. A study of recent annual reports of the British Steel Corporation reveals that in 1974 75 the average wage of each employee in their United Kingdom operations was £2.676 and this was associated with a net profit after tax of £101 per employee. In 1975-76 the average wage went up to £3,392—an increase of 26.8 per cent—and there was a corresponding loss of £1,233 after tax per employee. Inincreased still further to £3,910—an increase of 15.3 per cent—and the corresponding loss was £520 per

The reports of British Leyland show that the average wage per employee in their United Kinedom operations in 1973/74 was 22,395 and there was a loss of £32 after tax for each employee. In 1974 75 the average wage went up to £2,933— an increase of 22.5 per cent—and there was a loss of £437 after tax for each employee. The most recent report, but annualized, shows that in 1976 the average wage was £3,414—an increase of 16.4 pcr cent—and there was a no profit, no loss situa-tion. (The published profits were entirely due to the efforts of the 21,659 overseas employees.)

In the light of the action the Government is taking against the private sector firm James Mackie & Son can they new please tell us what action they new please to take against the British Steel Corporation and British Levland who have given such substantial wave increases times of waze restraint when they are not linked in any way to productivity?

Yours faithfully. F. E. JONES, President,
Engineering Industries Association,
Equirable House, ron Road.

Harrow, Middlesex. September 25.

From Lord Reigate Sir, The misuse of the Export Credit Guarantees Act to provide sanctions against Mackies is indeed serious, and I support Mr Alar Green's views (September 24) enrirely. The powers given to the. Government under the Export Credit Guarantees Act, 1975 arc, according to section 2 (1) "For the purpose of encouraging trade with other countries." There is certainly no mention of the powers eing used even by default to

implement the Government's pon-statutory policies. If this continues one can envis-

implement other non-statutory If Grunwick had been policies. If Grunwick had been involved in the export business

would the same threat have been

used to make them too, the line? Not very long ago I read that the Renk of England was selling ster-ling in order to prevent the rate of exchange of the E rising in a way which might jeopardize our exports. We now have the Government using this Act to frustrate exports and nullify the Rank of England's efforts. How dotty can we get? Yours, etc. REIGATE.

House of Lords.

From Mr B. Richards

Sir, I would like to air my views concerning the Government's hand-ling of the "Mackie affair",

The ECGD was created to pro-mote our much needed export trade in order to improve the standard of living in this country. In this instance it is being used to penalize companies prepared to their employees' wage conditions. I do not believe that a wages free-for-all will do the economy any good whatsoever. On the other hand, an attempt to influence and enforce the wages policy in this manner can damage the Government's credibility and authority.

There is another department capable of enforcing the pay policy in such a way that, at least from the political angle, will appear both plausible and equitable. The Price Commission has the power to restrict or refuse price applications. If it could only accept us allowable costs wage increases up to, say, a 10 per cent limit, even though the actual increase may have been higher, then the level of increases will be granted in line with what the employer(s) con afford. The approved price increase will not reflect anythine higher than a 10 per cent wage increase. In this way the Government can ensure that inflation is not adversaly affected by excessive winge claims, the onus of responsibility being with the employers as the Government originally intended.

With a bit of luck, the nationalized industries would also come under such a scheme. Who knows, their efficiency may well be Yours faithfully,

B. RICHARDS. 18 Apex Drive, Frimley. Surrey. September 25.

Irish fear of the IRA

From Sir Andrew Gilchrist 👉

Sir, I have seldom read a more illconsidered and misleading article than the one by Mr Bernard Levin, on the Irish question, which you published on September. 23. He glorifies the brave but irrelevant intervention by Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien and derides the completely and the Color Cruise C sensible comment by an Irish Cabinet Minister, to the effect that Dr O'Brien's remarks carry no weight and do not reflect (Irish) Government thinking. It is only by believing what Dr O'Donoghue says that Mr Levin will grasp the extent of the Irish problem, which he prefers to conceal from himself and from your readers by characterizing De O'Donoghue by clear implication. Dr O'Donoghue by clear implication as a sheephead and an Irish pathriet ".

Mr. Levin takes pleasure in Dr O'Brien's discovery that most people in Ireland are not interested in uniting North and South. Anyone could have told him that, and almost anyone could have told him what proportion of the Irish people supported the Farmer Printers. ported the Easter Rising and endorsed the subsequent subversive struggle for Irish independence. What weight has the unexpressed

will of an inert majority? Mr Levin likewise welcomes the revelation that "the people of the Republic hold the IRA in the profoundest contempt". I doubt if this can be a direct quotation from Dr
O'Brien, who knows better: but I
am sure Mr Levin would be equally
pleased with a more accurate formulation: "The people of the
Republic for the most part hate the Republic for the most part hate the IRA with a bitter hatred. That statement, however, is incomplete: it should be continued like this: "but they also fear them to an extent incomprehensible to Englishman."

The explanation is simple. The Southern Irish, including the Gov-ernment, see in Northern Ireland the relative ineffectiveness against murder and blackmail and bace capping of armed forces twice as big as theirs, and 10 times as well equipped against subversion; cannot but reflect on penalties their country would have to pay in death and bloodshed among both high and low if the IRA set seriously to work in the South The plain people of Ireland fear the IRA and its murderous reprisals as much as do their masters, and it is difficult to blame

That is why no murderer of British soldier (or of a British Ambassador) will ever be "betrayed" by a Southern Irish-man, or handed over to the British authorities. Indeed, one rather be surprised at the lengths to which the Dublin Government go in cooperating with the British than further.

The people and government of the Republic fear the IRA and wish it would go away. It has obliged them: It has gone away to Northern Ireland and the principal object of lrish policy is to prevent it coming back. The threat of sending it back, by conceding Irish unity, is one of the most delicate but powerful weapons in the armoury of the British Government.

What this means is that the police of both Dublin and London is founded on hypocrisy. Why not?

A well understood hypocrisy (eg, denunciations of inflation by those who most practise it) is a normal aspect of political life; and the demand for Irish unity falls into this category. Mr Levin's fear of a "passionate commitment on the part of the Dublin Government" to achieve Irish unity is a mere bogey.

Any Irish Government is inescap-ably the custodian of a myth, a myth whose origins were by no means impoble; and the maintenance of the myth, in however reold a form, is probably hebiful rather than otherwise and is in any case unavoidable. To snear at the myth is to reinforce it. Yours faithfully. ANDREW GILCERIST.

Grag, Hazelbank. By Lanark, Lanarkshire. September 26,

Direct rule in Ulster

From the Headmaster of St Columbs College Sir. The Minister's intention to compel the wearing of seat belts in Northern Ireland, given the failure of comparable legislation in West-minster, grouses further concern about the governance of the Pro-vince; an unease that springs not from the admittedly useful sim of the order but from the way it is being imposed. Direct rule appears to be exercised more and more hy administrative prerogative, subordinate legislation and occasionally

by no discernible process. Recently Lord Melchett announced his intent to introduce comprehensive education. Chargof the storm as immediate imple menting of this would bring upon him, he contented himself in the interim by abolishing the 11+ examination, substitution an alternative method of selection, assessmeat by primary school principals. This radical change, with its even more far-reaching implications, was effected by a simple declaration. It may well be that legislation or notice to Parliament is not required, because, as Circular 10/66 has shown, the Education Act, 1944, and its Northern Irefland counterpart, and a parliament in the state of the state 1947, are so legally imprecise as to adlow of ministerial dictars.

It is fashionable to play up the education, but even a superficial authority it has nests on Govern ment sufference and good with Democracy in Ulster has been under strain for far too long. Is it too much to ask that our educational system, controlled as it is by nonelected civil servants and non-elected area: boards, should have some safeguard against the fiat of non-elected Minister? demanding too much if under direct rule we expect our affairs to be the concern of Parliament? Yours, etc.

JAMES A. COULTER-Headmaster. St Columb's College, Buncrana Road, Derry. Northern Ireland. September 23.

Hans Andersen statue

From Mr M, W, Morris Sir, Surely the answer to correspondent, Patrick O'Leary (Special Report, September 21), is that the statue of Hans Christian Andersen does not need children carved on it. The statue itself is of man now dead, but the children for whom he wrote are eternal, and many of them can be seen playing around the statue any day. Yours faithfully, M. W. MORRIS,

Flat 3, 47 Brunswick Place Hove. East Sussex. September 26.

Granting asylum

From Mr E. J. T. Housden Sir, I cannot let the statement by Sir Leslie Kirkley and others (letters September 26), that "there is apparently no effective review of administrative decisions by the Home Office on the grant of asslum to refugees", pass without comment. Such appeals are determined not by the Home Secretary but by some twenty full time, independent and experienced immigration appeals adjudicators, of whom I am one. We are not subject to any pressure from the Home Office, which is why I feel free to write this letter. I have always considered political asylunt appeals to be the most demanding aspect of our work carrying the heaviest responsibility. If it appeared to me on the evidence that there was a reasonable charre of the applicant suffering persecu tion for one of the reasons set out in the UN Convention on Refug.cs.

would grant political asylum. - Statistics compiled by ms in December, -1873, and given in a naper to the Adjudicators' Conference at that time, contrast with Sir Leslie's statement that "between January 1, 1974, and April 30, 1977 not a single refugee appeal against a refusal of asylum by the Horse Office has been successful in this country." In the three and a half years from the inception of the statutory immigration appeals "15 tem until December, 1973, there was a 38 per cent "success" rate of appeals involving political asylum (8 such appeals being allowed out of 21). Since that time, according to Sir Lessia, the "success" rate has

been reduced to nil-I am unable to comment at first land on the reasons for such a dramatic statistical drop, because since that time I have been allocated only one political asylum case in three and a half years. Although I do not speak for my colleagues. I have no reason to believe that they take a different view from mine about political asylum, and I must therefore assume that the nature of such appeals has radically changed in the last few years.

Any applicant who is in this country (whether on a temporary basis or waiting for admission at a port in the United Kingdom) and who has been unsuccessful in requesting political asylum, has the right of appeal to an ediudicator. However, no such right exists for those unsuccessful applicants who are overseas. This may be a reason for the recent lack of successful appeals, and, if so, it is the Immigration Rules which have been a proved by Parliament, and not the immigration appeals system, that Sir Lesile and his colleagues should

More information from the signatories of Sir Leslie's letter about the nature and origin of all those recent and unsuccessful appears would provide an indication of whether the type of appeal he changed, or whether there is some other reason for the lack of success of such appeals. I believe the provision of such information to be in the public interest, so that a more balanced view may be obtained Yours faithfully.

E. J. T. HOUSDEN, Brymptoh. Ridgeway Road, Dorking, September 26.

Birmingham bishopric

From Mr A. M. Beauanont Dark Sir, I read with interest Canon Walker's letter (September 22) and I presume it was meant to be clever that he says he agrees with thore of us who appose the appointment of Birhop Montefiore to the See of Birmingham, whereas obviously he disagrees with us,

May I firstly say that it is the first time I have heard a learned Canon put forward the theory that you cannot be responsible and respectable because he used the phrase "what the Church and Brirain needs today is not responsibility but respectability" but it may well be that he was trying to be too clever even for his own good.

mentions my disagreement with the Bishop on the Concorde matter and fails to mention another point that as given great offence to many devout Christians in that rightly or wrongly Bisnop Montefiore is recognized as a man who casts considerable doubts in people's minds that Christ might have been a homo-sexual. If this is the kind of thing that Canon Walker success ore needs in a Bishop, then I feel it is he who is out of touch and not use. It is not that I am looking for a safe man instead of a prophet, but what I am looking for is a Bishun who could unite a hig and important diocese like Birmingham and not introduce the bind of controversy that is more likely to split Christendom rhan any benefits an "avant garde" Bishop might bring. I am sure there is a place for Bishop Monrefiore and bearing in mind Canon Walker's views, I can assure him that should the See of Chichester fal' vacant, I will use every effort to see that Montefiore is translated to Chichester which might well be a more suitable place than an industrial diocese where we take our Bishops at face value and place a great importance on their place in the life of our community. Yours faithfully,

A. M. BEAUMONT DARK, 124 Lady Byron Lane, Copt Heath,

Solihull, West Midlands, September 23.

College names From Mr Henry G. Button

Sir, John Young (September 19) referred to Sir Isaac Wolfson as the first man since Jesus Christ to have colleges named after him at both Oxford and Cambridge". He appears to have overlooked St Peter, perhaps because St Peter's College at Cambridge is usually known as Peterhouse. Yours faithfully, HENRY G. BUTTON,

7 Amburst Court, Grange Road,

COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE September 27: The Duke of Gloucester. Colonel-In-Chief, The Royal Piodeer Corps received General Sir Hugh Beach, Colonel

YORK HOUSE
September 27: The Duchess of kent, as Patron, this afternoon opened the Oxford Orthopaedic Lugineering Centre at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre, Oxford and subsequently, as Patron, visited line Oxford Branch of the Samaritans.

Her Royal Highness, who tratelied in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs Alan Henderson.

The Duke of Kent arrived at Heathroy Airport, London this evening from Chicago.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Sir Thomas Barnard, 84; the Duke of Buccleuch, \$4; Sir Arthur Cockfield, 61; the Earl of Listowel, 71; Sir Charles Perrie. 82; the Earl of Rosse, 71; Mr Michael Somes, 60; Sir Thomas Spenser-Wilkinson, 78.

Today's engagements Princess Margaret attends gala evening to mark reopening of Royal Lyceum Theatre, Edin-

burgh, 7.25. The Duke of Kent visits Cam-The Duke of Kent visits Cambridge, arrives Churchill College, 12.25, and with the Duchess of Kent attends reception for delegates of British Overseas Trade Board export conference, St John's College, 5.20. Admission of Sheriffs: City Aldermen process from Managon

men process from Manaon Hoose to Guildhall, 12. Talk: St Margaret Pattens, East-cheap, the Rev Cordon Huelin, "Looking at St John's Gospel",

1.10. Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Robert Milnes and Gerald Willia, piano duets, 1.15. National exhibition of children's art, Mail Galleries, 10-6.

The English country house: Why afamily may have to leave Rockingham Castle

Tax reckoning threatens continuity of Norman estate

By John Young
Planning Reporter
Mixing cups of instant coffee
in his office, Commander
Alichael Watson apologized Michael Watson analogized that it was the butler's day off. For a moment he appeared serious; in fact the entire strif of Rockingham Castle consists of a resident care-taker, two gardeners and two cleaning women from the vil-

cleaning women from the village.

Commander Watson became
the squire of Rockingham, in
Northamptonshire, almost by
accident. But the castle has
been in the family for more
than 400 years and naturally
he would like it to pass in due
course to one of his two sons.

Without some changes in the
tax laws, however, he sees lit-Without some changes in the tax laws, however, he sees little change of that happening.

"It might, I suppose, be possible to bang on for one more generation, but as things are I could not really advise it."

Rockinghem, strictly speaking, is no louger a castle, It certainly was so in the Middle Ages, built by William the Conqueror and used by his successors as both an administrative centre and a royal res-

traive centre and a royal residence and bunning lodge.

In the sixteenth century, however, it was progressively converted into a notably graceful and appealing Tudor man-sion. The keep and most of the walls were destroyed during and immediately after the Civil War, but enough fortifications remain to remind the visitor of

Its former importance.

By the time Commander
Watson's uncle, Sir Michael
Ct-me-Seymour, inherited the estate in 1926, as a mayal coder of 16 at Dartmouth, it was run-down and neglected. Most the land was let to remain farmers. and the Victorian owners had dissipated most of the family fortune in high living and trareds abroad.

Soon after the Second World War came a much-needed stroke of luck. Corby, two or three miles down the road, was designated a new town, and Sir Michael was able to sall working capital to restore the lmuse, modernize the estate and repair and install modern sanitation in the cottages in the village.

Mr R. P. W. Emanuel and Miss S. F. O'Keefe
The engagement is announced between Mr. Richard, eldest son of Dr and Mr. Richard Emanuel. 6
Landowne Walk, London, W11, and Shane Frances, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. P. O'Keefe, 62 Hoysen Street, Weston, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory, Australia.

and Miss I. A. Groves
The engagement is announced
between David, son c Mr and
Mrs E. B. Loveluck, of Sherborne,

Mr A. Misil and Miss S. J. V. McCall
The engagement is encounced between Antony, son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Misil, of Calveries Prik. Tunbridge Wells, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Angu. McCall, of Dunmore, Clonakity, of Cort.

and Miss L. A. Blackburn
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Mr E. J. Smalley and Miss L. A. Blackburn

Mr D. E. W. Loyeluck



Commander Michael Watson outside Rockingham Castle: "A successful twentieth-century squirearchy."

Commander Watson had spent his warrime childhood at the castle, living in what he describes as a sort of commune. "There were aunts, uncles and cousins everywhere. We had a marvellous time, but it was absolutely chaotic and there was never any money."
Then, in 1967, his uncle, who bad no children, suggested that to mitigate death duties be should take over the castic. It was an acutely difficult deci-sion; he had his own highly promising career in the Navy, a wife and two young children, with a third on the way, and no experience of farming or of managing anything larger than a cottage in Hampshire.

For a time Sir Michael conwhile his nophew pursued his cared duties. But the arrangement was not a success; in 1971 Commender Watson retigned his commission and est about learning how to be a

his pride and orain preoccupation. By taking over land from retiring tenants, he has built it. up to some 2,000 acres; tractor drivers keep in touch with a "control room" by two-way closed-circuit television in the barus, and is experimenting scale seldom so far attempted One result, he claims, is that

farming incomes and standards of living have greatly risen, and that men are returning from the steel mills and fix-tories of Corby to work on the The village, with its worm, golden ironstone cottages, is exquisitely kept; it is now, he says, once again economically viable, and more than 70 per cent of its inhabitauts work on the estate, conwith fewer than 40 per cent a few years ago.

Today the farm is evidently needed for the upkeep of the pings of inherited wealth and is pride and orain preoccupate castle and the estate. The privilege ", but doubts if it ion. By taking over land from remaining third comes from would bring any benefits.

etiriog tenants, he has built it the 30,000 or so visitors a year.

As things stand, his successions. who arrive on the two days a week that it is open to the public. ledges that the total could un-doubtedly be increased by more promotion and advertis-ing. But be is reluctant to take

such a step because of space and staff limitations. Even now, on a Bank bolk-day we get up to 1,500 people and that porries me, because I cannot believe they are enjoy ing themselves packed in like sardines. I feel that if we pro-

moted the place more we should simply: increase the pressure at peak times." For the time being, Rocking-ham represents on example of a successful twentleth-century squirearchy. Commander Wet-

As things stand, his successor will be forced by the com-bined effects of capital transfer and pevelopment land taxes to sell so much land that the estate will cease to be self sufficient. If the house was vacated and

the farm sold to outsiders, tourism would lose an asset, local people a livelihood, and a future government would be landed with yet another historic building that it could not, in good conscience, allow to fall into ruin but which it would be reluctant to maintain itself. A large oak beam in the great hall carries the inscription: "The house shall be predaye." Commander Watson

served and never will decaye, where the almightie God is honoured and served days by hoping that the part target for The farm now provides some would give satisfaction to those divine intervention will be the two thirds of the income who resent "the apparent trap." Fressury.

Forthcoming marriages

Dr P. S. Y. Cheung and Miss A. G. Lloyd

The engagement is announced between Philip, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Cheung Wing-Min, of Houghong, and Georgina, voungest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Lloyd, of Limpstield, Surger.

Mr R. W. Hall and Miss D. M. Howder

The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Hall, of Wenders Ambo, Essax, and Diana, only dauritur of Mr and Mrs J. A. Houlder, of Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire.

Lieutenant B. A. Ormerod, RN and Miss J. S. Floher

The engagement is announced between Bryan Anderton, son of Mr and Mrs E. A. Ormerod, of Kenilworth, and Judy, daughter of Brigardier and Mrs R. H. Fisher, of

Luncheons

HAI Government

Ministry of Defence

Dinners

Mr Frederick Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, was host at a luncheon held at the Ministry

of Defence yesterday in bonour of M Emile Krieps, Minister of Public Health and Armed Forces.

Luxembourg. Others present

West: M. Weiter, Air Chief Marshell Sir Rudwen Wade, Mr. N. L. Quinlan, Mr. J. D. Berjars, Mr. L. Baithouse, Erigadier W. F. A. Findlar, Mr. J. C. Dunn.

Management
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sherifts
and Mrs A. Colin Cole, were
present at the diamond jubilee
dinner of the Institute of Adminis-

dinner of the Institute of Adminis-rative Management, which was held at the Mansion House last night. Mr A. W. Walker, presi-dent of the Institute, and Mrs Walker, Mr R. H. Hill, chairman of council, and Mrs Hill were present with members of the institute and representatives of kindred organizations and their

Royal College of Organists

Institute of Administrative

Brigadier and Mirs R. H. Fisher, of Broom House, Learnside, Houghton-le-Spring.

Captain J. Wick and Alliss P. A. Stevens

The engagement is announced between John Wick, The Parachute Regiment, son of the late Major J. H. Wick, RE, and of Mrs Mrs. A. T. Tombinson and Biss D. H. Sykes Mr. M. Workman, of Newburgh, Lancashire, and Penclope Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. I. G. Stevens, of Cumnor Hill, Oxford.

Winter closing of

historic monuments Mrs Judith Hart, Minister for Overseas Development, was host at a luncheon beld yesterday at The following monuments will close for the winter from the dates shown: at a luncheon held yesterday at Lancaster House in honour of Shri H. N. Bahuguna, Indian Minister for Petroleum, Chemicals and Fertilizers. Other guests included : fine High Commissioner for India, Dr. N. B. Prasad, Shri Akhtar Alam, Sirri M. L. Hallon, Dr J. Dickson Mison, Mr. A. Hallon, Dr J. Dickson Mison, Mr. A. Hallon, Dr J. Dickson Mison, Mr. R. McKerrather, Mr. E. Langford, Mr. E. J. Holt, Mr. D. R. Goodman, Dr. David Train, Pt. R. A. Browning, Mr. R. M. Alinscow and Mr. J. N. M. Varsker.

Gates shown:

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Oxfordshire: Erstiam House, Paignton;
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Royal Garrison Charch, Portsmodic,
The Bede House, Lyddington, Lecesterslare; Yarmouth Cattle, Lie of Wight;
North Wates Quarrying Muscium, Liagberls. burls.
October 9: Old Merchant's House, Row
111 Houses, and Grouftlars Clotter.
Circal Yarmouth; St Olave's Priory.
RorringReet, Norfolk: Wrest Pwk
Gardens, Silsoe, Bedfordshire; Audiey
Lad House, Safron Widen, Essen.
October 30: Bernay Arms Mill, Norfolk.

Women of the Year Luncheon

The speakers at the Women of the Year luncheon to be held at the Savoy Hotel, in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind. on October 10, will be Miss Shella Hocken, Miss Penelope Keith, Dr Althea Le Coime, Mrs Erin Pizzey and Dr Margaret Rheinhold.

University news

Professor W. F. Madelung, PhD (Hamburg), professor of Near Eastern languages, Chicago University, has been appointed Landian Professor of Arabic from October 1, 1978.

Jubilee gifts on show Thousands of presents given to the Queen during her silver jubilec year will be on display to the public in the State Rooms at St James's Palace from December 1 in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilec Appeal Fund.

Privy councillor Sir Philip Moore has been appointed a member of the Privy Council.

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday, Scot 27, 1952. Mau Mau raids

Royal College of Organists
The Bishop of Bath and Wells
was the principal speaker at the
annual dinner of the Royal College of Organists held last night
in Wills Hall. Bristol University.
Mr Liggel Dakers, president of
the college, was in the chair and
among those present were:

Was John McLardson, Dr William Cale
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Jackson, Mr Richard Lloyd, Mr Lucian
Nethersha, Mr Norl Rawathorne, Mr
and Mrs Mardindale Sidwell.

Nairobi, Sept 26.—Police dogs brought by air from Nairobi were tonight hunting Mau Mau raiders who had slaughtered cattle and who had slaughtered cattle and burned down a rower station on European farm louds near Mount European farm lands man recommender. Seventeen arrests were made. Heavy rain trampered the police while they were trailing supports along a wooded mountain rule. They found that all telegraph

wires had been cut. The police think that the raiders are men of the Mau Mau secret society, and said that 100 sheep and 84 cartle had been killed in today's raid. Local units of the Kenya police to all units of the Kenya poince reserve were mustered to assist the regular force. All the farms raided were in a straight line across the country, and the raiders disembowelled cuttle or split open their heads. In the Legislative Council Mr E. R. Davies, the member for African African are member for African Affairs, save a list of offences ascribed to Mau Mau. So far we have had 23 murders, including two women and three children", he said.

Marriages

sud Mrs B. Wickens
The marriage took place on Friday.
Scotember 23, 1977, at St Mary
the Virgin, parish church of
Burphom, Arundel, Wast Sussex.
between Mg Bertram Hearse, of
Parcq de L'Oelliere, St Breiade.
Jersey, Chaunel Isles, and Mrs
Bettr Wickens, of Fosters, East,
Preston, Sussex, Canon Peter
Schnelder officiated. A reception
was held at Fosters for family and
very close friends.

Mr A. C. Alortis and Miss A. Fleury and Miss A. Fleury
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 24, at St Saviour's Church, Kimbolton, New Zealand, between Mr Anthory Morris, son of Group Captain and Mrs A. C. Morris, of Summerfields, Catton, Burton-on-Treat, and Miss Albon Fleury, daughter of Mr and Mrs Doughs Fleury, of Kimbolton, New Zealand.

Latest appointments

New Lord Justice of Appeal

Mr Justice Eveleich has been appointed a Lord Justice of Appeal in succession to Lord Jus-tice Scarman on the latter's appointment as a Lord of Appeal

tice Scarman on the latter's appointment as a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary.

Other legal appointments are: Mr Derek Hodgson, QC, and Mr John Wood, QC, to be judges of the High Court in succession to Mr Justice Eveleigh and to Mr Justice Mackems, who will retire on Friday. Mr Hodgson is to he assigned to the Oueen's Bench Division and Mr Wood to the Family Division, in place of Mr Justice Stephen Brown, who is being transferred to the Queen's Bench Division.

Mr W. A. B. Forbes, QC, to be a law commissioner in succession to Mr Hodgson.

Mr Justice Stephen Brown to be a presiding judge on the Midland and Oxford Circuit from November 14 in the place of Mr Justice May. The following to be circuit judges: Miss May Holt, Midland and Oxford Circuit Tom November 14 in the place of Mr Justice May. The following to be circuit judges: Miss May Holt, Midland and Oxford Circuit Tom November 14 in the place of Mr Justice May. The following to be circuit fudges: Miss May Holt, Midland and Oxford Circuit Town November Circuit, and Mr Mark Dyer, Western Circuit.

Mr Alan Simpson to be prosecutions coursed to the December 14.

Circuit.
Mr Alan Simpson to be prosecuting counsel to the Department of Health and Social Security. North Eastern Circuit. and Mr A. C. Carille prosecuting counsel to the department, Wales and Chester Circuit.

Other appointments include: Air Adrian Clissitt, deputy chief constable of Hertfordsidre, to be chief constable in succession to hir Raymond Buxton, who retires at the end of October to become an Inspector of Constabulary, Midland Region.

Faenza drug jar is sold for £1,500

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent A sale of European ceramics, in A sale of Korupean Ceramics, in general minor but collectable pieces, at Schierby's year-rday met strong bidding from dealers whose stocks are low at the beginning of the season. Montanaro paid the top price of £1,500 (estimate £300 to £500) for a sixteenth-century Freman drug jer from the Orsini-Colomna series.

The National Aluseum of Stockholm bought an unusual falence-line tulip wase. That type of put-

line tulip vase. That type of put-tery is known in England as tery is known in England as creamware and was extensively copied on the Continent after it had become popular in England.

It was made in large quantity in France, and Sotheby's had catalogued the piece as "perhaps French". It drates from 1770-80 and could perhaps be Swedish.

The piece is an oddity. It is in pyrandd form with seven graduated octagonal layers; on each kyer, the corners are embellished with a cone rising from a female mask. They would have

The two-session sale totalled 530,239 with 4 per cent unsold.

Sorheby's Belgravia held their fourth sale of Victorian pointings, drawings and watercolours this senson, with 8 per cent ensold. It is a strong works selling for high prices irrespective of the reputation of the artist.

Irrespective of the reputation of the artist.

A romanically pastoral "Harvest llandscape" by Alfred Augustus Glendening, dated 1902, reached top price at 2850 (estimate \$400 to \$800). A copy of the jubilee powrate of Queen Victoria by Ber Angelo, measuring more than eight feet by five feet, sold for \$220 (estimate \$200 to \$400). At half the size, the paining might have made twice the price.

A "Portrait of a voing stri

holding a dog ", catalogued as English provincial school about 1850, sold for £380 (estimate £30 to £60). "Provincial school" is Belgravia's term for any appealingly primitive work by a journeysupported one blossom each, mak-lag a dense pyramid of tulips. The type of work where the arrist, without academic training

and not too strong on perspective, schieves a malve decorative charm is a speciality cuitivated by several dealers, apparently with success. Distinguishing between a bad picture and a work of naive charm, however, presents difficulties for a valuer.

Watercolour representations of classical thames in the Alma Tadema velo are another strong area. A seated belle with a looking-glass cutified "Vanity", by Henry Rvland, dated 1908, made 1230 (estimate £150 to £300)

Sotheby Parks Bernet in Loo Aogeles began a two-day sale of modern prims on Monday, meeting strong bidding with a total of £37.421 and only 3 per cent unsold. Most of the top prices were achieved for decorative Chagall colour lithographs. "Then the old woman mounted on the ifrit's back. "from his Arabiam Nights series of 1948, made .57.000 (estimate £3.500 to \$4.500) or £4.011.

Paul Klee, an altogether more difficult artist, was represented by Paul Klee, an altogether more difficult artist, was represent

"Selfamer", 1 colour lithograph of 1923, which made \$7,500 (estimate \$8,000 to \$10,000) or £4,297.

Science report

Nativity: Too many premature births Compared with other European ceive medical care early in preg of any programme of improved countries, Britain has too many nancy, the report says. Only half services, the report says.

compared with other European countries, Britain has too many bables born prematurely, according to a report published by the Foundation for Education and Research in Childbearing.

Each year 40,000 of the 600,000 women having bables go into labour too soon and their bables, born understood and immeasure. born undersized and immature, have a much increased risk of dying in infancy or growing up

dying in infancy or growing up handicapped.

The authors of the report, Margaret and Arthur Wynn, say that research into the causes and pre-tention of preterm births has been neglected in Britain and that Britain gynacocologists have shown little interest in recent research in countries such as Germany.

Latest wills

Far too few British women re-

Bournemouth, left £803.126 net.

After various bequests he left the residue equally among Help the Aged, the RSPCA, RNIB, Salvation Army, British Red Cross Society. Oxfam and Save the Children

attend for antenatal examination by the sixteenth week of pregnancy. Some of the delay may be due to long waiting lists but, whatever the cause, improvements in the medical supervision of early pregnancy would help the detection of abnormalities soon enough to reduce the numbers of preferan births. Other relevant factors listed in-

the report include damage to the uterus or its infection from a previous termination of pregnancy and fatigue among women doing manual work. Britain lass behind France and Scandinavia in the records kept of the progress of women during their pregnancies and of their bables in the first years of life; the date provided by such records are a vital part

before tax paid; tax not dis-Parmoor, Lord, second baron, of Forshall, Miss Judith, of Midhurst 5146,023 Hendy, Mr Arthur Vinton, of New Milton, Hampshire, motor engi-neer £100,548 Kassab, Mr Sarkis Minran, of Heald Green, Cheshire £188,941 Fund. Kenn, Mrs Annie, of Newcastle-Other estates include that under Lyme . £162,745

services, the report says.

It conclides that there is a clear case for an inquiry into the care provided by the health service for women during pregnancy with the sim of reducing the numbers of preterm births and so reducing the numbers of handicapped children.

The inquiry should examine the best use of the different skills of doctors and miniwives and look for ways of improving the standards of the s dards of antenatal care in all parts of the country. By Our Medical Correspondent Source: The Prevention of Pre-term Births (Foundation for Edu-cation and Research in Child-bearing, 27 Walpole Street, Lon-don, SW3, £3).

Parsons, Mr Lewin Ernest, of Gerrards Cross, accountant £102,213 Steed, Mr John Benjamin, of Seaview, Isle of Wight, accomment f124,676
Turnor, Miss Joan Ettiel, of Benn-bridge Wagstaff, Mrs Kathleen Mary, of Mill Hill, London £113,720 Wild, Mr Wifred, of Blidworth, Nottinghamshire £127,414

More trade support at horticultural show By Our Horricultural

By Our Horicultural
Correspondent
The Royal Horticultural Society's
Great Autumn Show in the Old
and New halls at Westminster
might well be termed a "minlature Chelsea". More trade firms
than usual are exhibiting and
there is something of interest for
all gardeners.

No fewer than nine gold medals
have been awarded. Reading
University grounds department
has deservedly won one for its
original display of ornamental
vegetables, decorative enough not
to look out of place in the flower
garden. Their 'custard' marrows
trailing through old Cart wheels
look most effective, as well as
the 'Extra Curled Scotch' and
'Ornamental Mixed' kales, which
make for highly decorative ground
colour.

'Tim Tim' tomatues are ideal

spring that turns to purple in early summer, is a particularly fine specimen, and the collection of sorbus, mains and accers gives a good splash of autumn coloured leaves and berries. The hibiscus in flower and Leucisteria formosa, with purple and white claw-like pendulous blooms, are creating interest, also the Agapamthus Headbourne Hybrids' of brilliant blue.

blue.

The gold medal to Hiller Nurseries (Winchester) is well deserved for another superb display of ornamental and flowering trees and shrubs. The company has created an autumn effect and its sorbus are especially effective, particularly 'Sunshine', with large clusters of vellow fruits, and Sorbus aria decainmenta with large, unusual, deep orange berries.

Euonymus 'Red Cascade' of make for highly decorative ground colour.

'Tiny Tim' tomatoes are ideal adding plants, as is 'Red Verona' chicory with bicoloured leaves.
Notatis Nurseries took a gold medal with a splendid display of ornamental and flowering trees and shruos, showing plenty of plants in bloom as well as in fruit or with autumn coloured foliage. Its climbing Fremontodendron culifornicum 'California Beaure' is a most handsome plant with large lobed leaves and outstanding, very free-flowering yellow suture. In flower is Caryopters' Heavenly Blue', a neat amost handsome plant with large lobed leaves and outstanding, very free-flowering yellow sutures of dahlias in perfect condition. Two newcomers that should have a good future are sheltered rosition.
The Pranus virziniana 'Schubert', which has green foliage in

Biddenham Serene', small ball National Chrysanthe

liair pink decorative, look particularly fine.

Ian Butterfield also won a gold for his dabias. His blooms include three new, unnamed baby dablia seedlings of a semi-double type in cerise, russet and orange. Bienvenue ', a 1977 introduction, is 'a collerette of crushed strawberry colour:

Beth Chatto has some unusual plants in her gold medal-winning display of autumn flowers and foliage. Her dried specimen of Veruin communis, a fennel from the south of France: makes a spiendid centrepiese and is ideal for the back of a border, where it on grow to 12ft and show its sellow flowers. The dwarf Knipplyfia, Little Maid', only 2ft, with its poker of green and ivory, makes an excellent edging plant. An attractive combination in this exhibit is Tritomia (Crocosnia) resea, pink, with Commeling coelessis, blue, with Commeling papilio, a purply green near by. John Mattock Ltd has fielded more than fifty varieties of roses papitio. a purply green near by.
John Matrock Ltd has fielded
more than fifty varieties of roses
to win its gold medal, with all
types from old-fashioned species,
miniatures to hybrid teas and
floribundas. Its bowls of fruit
have coloured particularly well on
most species despite the lack of
sumships. New varieties include sumshine. New varieties include 'Royal Salute' and 'Dekorat'.

A. gold medal has gone to the

specific varieties and floral arrangements from leading amateurs and nurserymen.

Thomas Rochford and Sons' gold-medal-winning display of house plants looks superb. The company is demonstrating growing indoor plants by the new 'Hydroculture' method and has some colourful Regorda 'Fireglow' and some superb Saint-paulias. paulias.

The committee gave awards to the following plants:

First class certificates. Sorbus hapehrals objuss." plmk herries, from
W. L. and R. A. Banks, Krugston,
Marchaelter; Warskewiczka coccines,
David Au Young, crimson sprays,
from the Royal Bolanic Gardens, Kow.
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OBITUARY

MR WILLIAM McMILLAN **Prominent British sculptor**

preferably native stones.

The change in arritude to materials is particularly well illustrated in the beautiful three-quarter length female figure of "Syrinx", which exhibited in the Academy of 1925, now in Glasgow, Art Gallery, gained for McMillan the Silver. Medal of the Royal Society of British Sculptors, because it happens to be in the traditional meterial of white marble. Superficially, the work is in the familiar style of classical realism, but, instead is in the familiar style of classical realism, but, instead of being employed merely as a "stuff", the marble is cherished for its own sake as a precious material subtly affecting the form. At the same next generation of sculptors in whose work perhaps exaggerated sense of materials and new ideas of form combined produce deformations which are felt to be arbitrary or dictated by intellectual abstraction.

As an individual artist, McMillan was distinguished by his wide range of subjects, from war memorials to medals, curiosity about materials and curiosity about materials and marked decorative ability. The last was well shown in the two bronze groups of Nereid and Triton with holphins for the Beatty Memorial Fountain, Trafalgar Square; designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, exhibited at the Academy in 1940,

McMillan's most important McMillan's most important portrait statues were those of King Georga V for the Bengal Memorial/at Calcura, and Lord Haig for Clifton College, For the Royal Academy, he executed a bronze statue of Turner. He designed the Great War Medal and the Victory Medal, and he was responsible for War Memorials at Manchester and Aberdeen. The memorial tablet to Sir Aston Webb, in the Crypt of Sir Paul's Cathedral, is also his. But his more personal qualities, his taste and poetical invention, were to be seen in the imaginative and decorative pieces in various materials with the imaginarye and decorative pieces in various materials with which year by year he charmed visitors to the Academy. Examples are "Garden Decoration in Portland Stone" representing Pan and a Nymph with frisking kids, 1926; Statustre-

Mr William MdMillan, CVO.
RA, who died on September 25 in hospital at the age of 90, was one of the several British sculptors who, during the second decade of the present century, began to princturate the prevailing white marble and bronze in the sculpture rooms at the Royal Academy with works in other materials, such as different woods and stones, preferably native stones.

The change in arritude to materials is particularly well illustrated in the beaufful three-quarter length female figure of "Syrinx", which exhibited in the Academy of 1925, now in Glasgow Art Gallery, gained for McMillan was born at Aberdenis of the Royal academy Schools of Art in that city and the Silver Medal of the Royal

School of Art in that city and at the Royal Academy Schools. He was made ARA in 1925 and RA in 1933. He also studied in Florence.

In more recent years, until he gave up his Chelsea Studios in 1966. McMillan produced some of his finest works—amongst which were the King George VI statue in Carlton Gardens, London, Lord Trenchard on Victoria Embankment, Thomas Coram and Sir Walter Raleigh. The fountain in Queen Mary's Garden, Regent's Park, by William McMillan was the first gift of the Constance Fund and McMillan was later to become a permanent member of the Fund Committee.

McMillan served in the trenches in the First World.

trenches in the First World War and his experiences of trench warfare at its worst greatly affected his highly sensitive nature throughout the remainder of his life. His stone statue of Alcock and Brown at London Airport is not only a memorial to those intrepid piopeers of aviation but hi is a constant reminder to the many willions of air travel.

the many unilions of air travel-lers who pass it each year that McMillan was an artist who could stand level with or surpass his avante garde contem-poraries. In association with his close friends, Vincent Harris and Sir Edward Maufe, much of McMillan's work was of en erch tectural nature and can be seen on many public buildings

seen on many public buildings throughout the country.
William McMillan was elected an honorary life member of the Chelsea Arts Club, where he lunched almost daily until a few years \$50. In his younger days he played a prominent part in the organization for the Chelsea Arts Ball at the Royal Albert Hall.

Aberdeen, the city of his birth, elected McMillan as one of us Freeneen and the Uni-

of us Freemen and the University conferred upon him the honorary Degree of Doctor of Law. He married, in 1916, Dorothy Williams. She died in 1964.

HUGO MANNING

Hugo Manning, the poet, journails; and mystic, died on September 22 following a heart attack, at the age of 63. As attack, at the age of 63. As a man and writer, he was strongly independent, refusing to be confined by any group attitudes. Jewish himself and a Labour sympethizer, he was a warm friend of the pro-Franco poet Roy Campbell. Another of his friends was Henry Miller, though he lost much of his regard for the letter in his later years. He did however, produce a mone-graph on him in 1972.

As a post, he became known in the war years as one of a number of Neo-Romantic poets, Beyond the Terminus of Stars (1949) being his first vokume of verse. This was followed by The Crown and the Fable (1950) after which his work at Reviers occupied him largely A somewhat till the 1960s when he retired to reasons of health and in order to devote himself more fully to writing. From 1968 by such critical the time of his death he wrote some 10 books, which Mario Praz.

were published by small dis-criminating publishers, includ-ing Enithermon Press, Village Press and Trigram Press. The first of these firms issued his long poem Dylan Thomas this year and are later to publish The Thomas of his decease his books were becoming collectors. pieces. In his verse and prose three

archetypal figures recurred: the artist (Modiction, 1976); the prostitute (Madame Lola, 1974); and the outsider (Ishmael, 1976). In the 20 years before his death, a very individual mysticism and apprintalism was added to his in service interests; and he made the several psychic portraits of his in the several psychic portraits of his in the several psychic they were given the several psychiatric the several psychia

features of flowers.

A somewhat solitary firme in his later years, he carefully avoided coreries, but his volch has none the less been praised by such critics as I. A. Richards, Herbert Read and Marrie Marries.

COL B. L. JACOT DE BOINOD

79. He was a former member of the editorial staff of The

of the editorial state of times:

He was born on February 25, 1898, the third child of Louis Jacot de Bound, who was of Swiss extraction. He was educated at King Edward's School, Birmingham, where he won a schelarship to St John's College, Oxford, He read Classics and Law and subsequently was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1922. He practised at the Bar for several years.

B. L. Jacot was an exceptional athlete. At Rugby football he represented England as

ball he represented England as a schoolboy and subsequently gained his Blue at Oxford, playing in the notable 1920 match against Cambridge. He later played for the Harlequins. He also represented Oxford against Cambridge in athletics.

against Cambridge in athletics. In 1924 he represented Great Britain in the Olympics, swimming in the 100 metres free-style.

Between leaving school and going to Oxford he served on the Western Front during the First World War. He was wounded in 1917 and after his recovery he served as a pilot in the Royal Flying Corps in France and in England. After his demobilization he went up to Oxford. His elder brother, Ennile, a promising sculptor,

MR A. B. SACKETT Mr Alfred Barrett Sackett, MC, who was headmaster of Kingswood School, Bath, from 1928 to 1959, died on September 24. He served as a Captain with The Northumberland Fusiliers in the First World War at Gallipoli and in Egypt and France and won a Military Cross. He was charman of the Governers of Bath Academy of Art from 1959 to 1964.

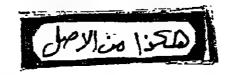
His Honour Judge Gilbert Alexander Forrest, a Circuit Judge from 1970 and formerly

Colonel Bernard Louis Jacot died of wounds received in the wing de Boinod, who wrote under trenches and his younger Sertie name of B. L. Jacot, died broker. Jack also in the Royal that on September 21 at the age of Plying Corps, died in a training Jacot 79. He was a former member accident.

B. L. Jacot turned from the Bar to journalism and writins in the mid-1920s. He worked on The Times and The News Chronicle and was Foreign Correspondent for the News York Herald Tribune. Although he was mostly known for his short stories which were published throughout the world his major works included the lished throughout the world his amajor works included the official history of Marconi published in 1935. Perhaps his best remembered stories are. The Champ? and Amanda! Many of his short stories were broadcast by the BBC, especially during the war years. During the Second World War he was recalled to the Colours and served in Francious Lord Gort's staff. During the retreat to Dunkirk he war wounded again and invalided out of the Army. He spent the remainder of the war as a will first correspondent with the British would and American armies after it. correspondent with the Britise and American armies after it spell of special duties. In 1973 he married to find horsesonick-Bird and they had a daughter and a son with the state of the second world with the retired to Somerset when the continued with his writing at the second world with the retired to Somerset when the continued with his writing at the second world with the retired to Somerset when the continued with his writing at the second world with the retired to Somerset when the continued with his writing at the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the retired to Somerset when the second world with the second world world world with the second world wor

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Edgar Young, AFC, who dide
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80, was headmaster of Rossent
School from 1937, to 1957, I
was erdained in 1952, was Vide,
of Thorothwaire::from 1957
1965 and an honorary Canon er
Carlisle Cathedral from 19n
to 1965.
He served with the RFC and
RAF in both world wars ager RAF in both world wars agri

Alex Massie, former capts st is of Scotland and Aston Viss ent. died on September 20 at 1 um home in Hertfordshire. He wat September 24 at the age of 65. 71.





THE TIMES

BUSINESS NEWS



BI unhappy with code of onduct for British ffshoots in South Africa

nployers' leaders made 1 yesterday that they were a considerable way from ement with the Covernment a code of conduct for hish companies with subpries or other knks in South

Department of Trade of the lish text of the code of lish lect agreed by the EEC configuration on September 20. 'ir John Whitehorn, deputy

coor general of the Con-gration of British Industry, the fact has been involved in its was study of liberalization in the Africa, said that the Department of The statement to proposed in the proposed in the statement to proposed in silication with the CBI and TUC should not be taken mply that the confederation based the EEC ministers e in toto.

The confederation still has McMiles 123 document. Its officials are the in a large state in the issues in the is the desegregation and the design of how far British appendes can or should intere in the operations of South n on man pranican-based subsidieries or

Mer further impetus is likely to of the Change autumn when Christian unit a few years neern for Southern Africa, test parties of the British campaign for the Chase tack region in South Africa. blishes e report on black des unions in the republic.



Mr John Whitehorn: no total dorsement of code.

that British companies have not responded well to demands from the black community for more recognition. Those who have seen early drafts say that the section of the report on methods of reform puts forward proposals similar to those embodied in the EEC The Euglish text of the REC

ode shows it to be a radical document. It states, for example, that "should black African employees decide that their representative body should be in the form of a trade union the company should accept this decision. Trades unions for black Africans are not illegal, and companies are free to re-cognize them, and to negotiate This sort of unqualified exhortation is likely to cause agonies of indecision for British, companies with South African connexions. While it is true that black unions are not illegal in the republic it is also clear that the South African Government wishes to dis-courage their growth. Late last space of banning orders placed on leaders of the emergent black trade union movement. On migrant labour the code says that this is "an instrument of the policy of apartheid which has the effect of preventing the individual from seeking and obtaining a job of his choice; it also causes grave according it also causes grave social and family problems.

"Employers have the social responsibility to contribute towards ensuring freedom of movement for black African workers and their families. In who we will be the meaning employers should make it their concern to alleviate as much as possible the affects of the existing system."
The document says that pay based on the absolute minimum necessary for a family to survive cannot be considered sufficient. The minimum sufficient. The minimum wage should initially exceed by at least 50 per cent the minimum level required to sansfy

the basic needs of an employee and his family."

There is also exhortation to open all jobs to any suitably qualified worker irrespective of race. Wages should be based on qualitative job evaluation.

British parent companies will be asked to publish each year a detailed and fully document ted report on the progress made in applying the code and the governments of the EEC will review progress annually.

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UK in world's top ten oil producers by 1980

Britain will be among the supplies of cheap oil.

Werld's top 10 oil producers by Only now was the world 1930 and is inevitably beginning beginning to feel its way to think as a major oil protowards some institutional ducer, according to Mr. machinery for bandling energy.

Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary issues on a global scale.

Writing in Coal and Energy meed for a wider perspective Quarterly about his recent of the energy supply/demand. Quartering about his recent captimensup of the EEC Council of Energy Ministers, he says British's unique energy strength underlay all the dis-cussions within the council. It also commanded respect elsewhere because few, if any western industrial countries would be self-sufficient in energy within little more than two years through the 1980s and conceivably beyond.

Mr Benn believes that 1977 may be regarded as a watershed in energy policy terms. It had taken the non-communist world four years to pick itself up and come to terms with the end of a way of life built on the

of the energy supply/demand equation. While in Saudi Arabia he had learned that oil production there could by 1979 varied between hine million and 14 million barrels a day almost at the turn of a tap. Such a variation, the equivalent of at least two North Seas, could have a big impact on price without affecting Swedi receives. Similarly, it was inconceiv

able to try seriously to develop a world or Community energy policy without taking into account the huge resources of the Soviet Union, while little was known about Chine's potential or perspectives.

Pit injury risk 7-times that of manufacturing

By Stephen Goodwin

Coal miners' claims to have the most hazardous job in the country are vividly reinforced by the government Health and Safety at Work statistics for 1975, published today.

Each year the miner has a worse than one in-five chance of being injured. With 20,940 accidents reported for every 100,000 at work in coal-mining. the risk is about seven times as high as that for manufacturing. From the point of view of faralities, quarrying emerges as the most dangerous occupation, but this was based on only 15 deaths during the year. Produced in report form by

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the Health and Safety Execu-tive, the statistics represent the first comprehensive review of accidents and deaths at work. During 1975, more than 1,400 people died as a result of accidents at work or from prescribed industrial diseases. Of these, \$10 employees died in accidents within workplaces covered by the Health and Safety at Work Act, 1974.

The report also includes in-formation on 119 killed in areas ourside the jurisdiction of the Act, such as fishing activities. International comparisons are difficult to draw, but the report is able to conclude that in manufacturing and construction " compare Britain's record favourably with other major EEC countries".

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passes its final dividend

By Desmond Quigley Rustenburg Platinum Hold-ings, the world's largest platinum producer, has passed its final dividend because of the unpromising outlook for plantaum group metal prices.
As a result the total dividend penistics at \$2.5 cents a share compared with 10 cents a share last year.

The pre-tax profits declin accelerated in the second half to a third to leave fullyear profits to the end of August down by 10.5m rand; or 24 per cent, at 33.6m rand (about \$22m). Operating profit for the year declined from 53.2m rand to

Rustenburg has adopted a new accounting method with the result that the pre-tax profits for last year were a mere 4,7m rand as against 33.6m rand profit under the historical basis. Operating profits were reduced from 42m rand under the old basis to 29.1m rand, while the new system requires a deduction of 16m rand for the provision of renewals and replacements.

The company has not had the best of histories, frequently badly misjudging the market. Its performance last year compares very unfavourably with impain Platinum, its major rival, where pre-tax profits for the year to the and of June

increased marginally from 32.8m rand to 33.1m rand. Rusten-burg's share price is certain to adversely affected today when the figures are published Rustenburg states that al-though platform sales were slightly higher last year and the prices received for all metals were also above the 1976 levels, latinum production costs rose 29 per cent with the result that there was "a considerable reduction in the profix margin.

Meanwhile, in the bitter war between nickel producers, Mr Charles Baird, president of the world's largest nickel produces. Inco, has accused newcomers in the industry of causing the in-dustry's major oversupply

problems.

He claimed in Toronto that such companies as Amax. Bots-wans RST, Freeport Metals Ex-ploration and Marinduque were increasing production and sell-ing at below production costs. The result had been oversupply, price weakness and cuthacks in production by the established producers such as Inco. Falcon-bridge, Le Nickel and Western Mining. Mining.

gested that Mr Baird's com-ments were sour grapes "We are aware that Inco is losing its share of the market to the new ing Botswapa RST, which was being readjusted. Amaks nickel operations were making a profit. Inco's market share has fallen from two-thirds a few years ago to an estimated maximum of 40

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Recruitment row hits steelworks

Recruitment for 300 jobs at the British Steel Corporation's Redcar works is being delayed because of a manning dispute. Talks on manning have been going on for two years but the dispute has now stopped pro-duction at the sinter plant and coke ovens, completed earlier.

Mr Harold Robson, district secretary of the NUEW and secretary of the North East. Coast Allied Crafts Committee, said: "The refusal of the Boilermakers Society to accept new manning arrangements is hitting recruitment.
The new agreement which

would involve crossing traffisional craft boundaries has already been accepted by the other unions involved, the boilermakers' executive and by the National Crafts Coordinating Committee. Only the local boilermakers are refusing to accept the proposals."

Rustenburg | Government advance factories may be sold to private sector

development policy to provide much-needed jobs in develop-

ment areas may be sold to the

Top officials at the Department of Industry are considering means of disposing of some of the factories built and owned by the English Industrial Estates Corporation and by the Scottish and Welsh Development Asencies.

Details and terms of sales are

private sector.

still far from settled bur White-hall officials are involved incountry's major pension funds. Each year the Gateshead-based Essates Corporation is spending about 522m on new factory building programmes and the overall United Kingdom expenditure on advance The corporation is one of the

largest industrial landlords in the country and its property portfolio is worth an estimated

Established under the Local Factories built by the Goy- Employment Act 1960, the crument as part of regional corporation owns 2 large number of properties, some of which are more than 40 years old. But as a result of successive government policies to promote regional development Whitehali has become a major industrial property landlord.

Officials are coascious that has become a landlord almost by accident and stress that they are in the business of promoting mployment and stimulating investment in the regions, rather than property investment.

A number of possibilities are under discussion but a strong option is understood to be that, while the Department of Industry will continue to subsidize the activities of companies which establish themselves in advance factories, the buildings would be sold to private institutions such as pen-sion funds, which would then lease back properties to their occupiers.

Any sale agreed by £342m at replacement values. Mr Grenside to be senior

partner of Peat, Marwick

By Our Financial Staff as senior partner of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co, one of the world's largest accounting

Mr Greenside is 56 and has been with Peat, Marwick since 1948 and a partner since 1960. He said yesterday that he did not expect any major changes in the firm other than those now taking place in the profession in general in the moves towards greater flexibility and professionalism. He supported the idea

Mr John Greenside is to be ing but stressed that idea that Sir Ronald Leach's successor it should be introduced gradually and with only gentle compulsion.

Mr Greenside said he hoped there would be no major changes in the structure of the accounting business and added; "The quality and value of the services are higher than at any in the profession's Sir Ronald, who is 70, is a

former chairman of the Accounting Standards Committee and president of the Institute of Chartered Account-

Estates Corporation would be based on assessment by the district valuer. from building advance factories the department offers companies occupying these fac-tories up to five years rent-free occupancy. The department is also drawing up a new marketing and

promotional campaign designed to interest concerns of all size in the wide range of financia aid schemes available through regional development policy. The help of clearing banks, merchant banks and profesional bodies is being enlisted in the campaign.

Particular attention is being paid to the Selective Invest-ment Scheme, introduced last December with an initial allo-cation of £100m.

So far £8.5m has been firmly allocated in the form of interest relief grants on total projects costing £93m.
There has been an encourag-



Mr John Grenside: in favour of gradual introduction of infla-

Jay warning to US on rethinking of tax treaty

From Frank Vogl Washington, Sept 27

Mr Peter Jay, the British Ambassador, has warned the United States Senate that Britain might demand full renegotiation of the new United States-United Kingdom double taxation treaty if the Servite acts to delere a key clause dealing with corporate tax.

The treaty was ratified by Parliament in January, but Congress has still to approve it. Final discussions are to take place in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The Am bassador's warning is contained in a letter to Senator John Sporkman, its chairman.

The committee is under intense pressure from numerous state governors, notably Gov-ernor Jerry Brown of California, to delete a clause that prevents states from imposing certain local taxes on the sub-sidiaries of British companies.

Mr Jay said that if the Senare deleted this clause "the British Government would view this as altering the balance of the treaty and might well wish to renegotiate other aspects of it . Cakifornia and some other

states plan to impose taxes on subsidiaries of foreign com-panies that might be based on their assessments of the value of these subsidiaries to their perent companies, rather than upon the declared profits of the The treaty would ber such

intense international interest. Mr Jay added that the deletion by the Senate of this key clause would mean that Parliament would have to review the treaty again, and further delays in its implementation would be inevitable. It was initialled by ministers from both govern-

Tokyo eases trading procedures

Tokyo, Sept 27.—Trade pro-cedures in Japan will be sim-plified from October 1 as a step to increase imports and ease overseas criticism of the Japanese trade position, the Ministry of Trade and Industry

Only import contracts of more than 1m yea (about £2,125) will have to be notified to the foreign exchange banks and have ministry approval, against current contracts of more than

In addition, export contracts needing official approval must exceed 1th yea, against the present 36,000 year ceiling. The ministry also said trade agreements between third party countries but involving a Japanese trading group: would from next weekend no longer need ministry approval.

Steel curb call: Miss Juanita Kreps. United States Secretary of Commerce, said that a voluntary marketing agreement should be seriously considered, as a way of dealing with the problem of Japaneso and Euro-pean steel exports. Miss Kreps, in Tokyo for talks with Japanese ministers,

told a press conference it was vital to solve special problems, such as the steel issue, before they triggered heavier mean-ployment which would increase pressure for protectionism. As part of the overall approach to the international

approach to the international steel problem we think voluntary market agreements in line with the one suggested by Mr Mike Mansfield, the United States Ambassador, should certainly be given serious consideration, although we have not propressed to the resident of not progressed to the point of precise policy conclusions at this time", Miss Kreps said.— Reuter.

European steel makers are facing investment cuts and plant closures £1,365m in the previous year, ment in the Community's over-

Steep falls in investment by the European steel industry, to £936 and greater rationalization in the next few years to improve It results. competitiveness, were fore whether this level of investment shadowed yesterday in the would be adequate to produce latest survey of capital spend-the capacities needed for a ing by members of the Euro-pean Coal and Steel Com-

munity.
Steel companies in Europe last year invested 3,150m units of account (£2,047.5m) despite

of account (£2,047.5m) despite growing financial problems, compared with a capital investment in the previous year of about £2,164.5m.

The survey noted, however, that while the overall total remained large, in view of the financing requirement it represented, recent rises in capital goods prices had reduced the effective purchasing power of funds available for steel industry investment. try investment.

In constant (1970) prices the value of investment in 1976 fell to £1.105m, compared with

A further decrease in spending ail competitiveness", the surwas forecast for this year, down to £936m in terms of constant vey observed.
Last year crude steel produc-

fore. whether this level of investment modern and competitive steel "In the absence of a major recovery in steel prices and pro-

duction, the large volume of in-terest and capital repayments associated with the borrowings made in recent periods camor fail to limit the funds available for future investment, even for essential modernization pro-jects", the report said.

There was need for close co-ordination of investment, and efforts would have to be made to concentrate on the most efficient works, while other works would have to close or undergo big reconversion. "
Without such a process of

rationalization there is little prospect for a major improve-

It remained to be seen 198 million tonnes, and as a whether this level of investment result of the postponement of new projects, delays in commissioning and closures, estimated potential capacity in 1980 had been revised downwards from 220 mil-

lion tonnes to 214 ronnes. Over the four-year period to 1980, production potential is expected to grow at an average expected to grow at an average annual rate of 2 per cent, against a 2.7 per cent average annual growth rate between 1960 and 1976.

The ECSC expressed concern

at moves to increase capacity in certain steel product sectors without corresponding phasing out of works elsewhere. Coal industry investment in

the ECSC amounted to £500m, reflecting a 40 per cent rise on the previous year's spending levels.

Whitehall studies aids to exporters

of Trade are considering schemes to improve Britain's export performance. The discussions are still at a fairly preliminary stage, but a variety of ideas are being considered aimed at improvement in the medium and longer term.

As part of the Government's industrial strategy much importance is being attached to the successful regeneration of manufacturing industry, in terms of lifting exports to the benefit of the balance of pay-

ments.
The Department of Industry,

ing the rate up. Trading in the

spot market was immediately affected with switching out of

the Swiss rate down. It closed

which musters a powerful of the major issues raised by armousy of incentives for companies involved in investment their reports and comments on the development of the industrial strategy.

In particular, a number of the goods produced by industry is extremely limited. But both Whitehall depart-

ments are faced with considerable difficulty in providing British companies with financial assistance to boost exports because of EEC and Gatt rulings on the provision of subsidies for exports which could sidies for exports which could lead to allegations of unfair competition.

Export finance and general

Earnings per ordinary share

Ordinary dividend per share

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the development of the indus-trial strategy.

In particular, a number of the working parties suggested that procedures required by the Export Credits Guarantee Department should be simpli-fied and delays in dealing with applications reduced.

A number also suggested that the department should be more the department should be more flexible and take more risks.

The sector working parties also advocated that the ECGD should march the terms and facilities offered to British

Further Euroloan for Australia

Amid growing speculation of an Australian General Election in December, the government yesterday announced that it was to borrow \$850m to support the country's currency. The money will be raised in Europe and will be raised in Europe and will bring Australia's total. Eurodollar loan raising programme to \$1,700m in recent The move is an effort to off-

set the drain on overseas Mr Eric Robinson, the acrine Treasurer, announcing the loan

be injected into the system over the next few weeks.

He added: "It is designed. to maintain our reserves at an adequate level and to demonstrate that we have got very considerable capacity to finance any temporary deficit." Mr Robinson would not comment on whether the loan ruled

out the possibility of the Australian dollar being devalued.

Gilts director Capel-Cure Myers, the stock-broking firm, has appointed Mr John McGregor, 50, as director

more follows the decision of Capel-Cure's existing 12-man terday banned foreigners from forward dealings of less than a month in Swiss francs. This gilt team, headed by Mr David Shaw, to move to rival firm, Fielding Newson-Smith later is intended to stop short term speculators in francs from forc-Business Diary, page 19

In brief



Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, who yesterday announced a reprieve for the Port of Preston The port, which was threatened with closure by the town council is to receive a £2m grant under the Industries Act. A survey showed that with beter manage ment and new guidelines, the Canal grant sought port could be a success.

Swiss curb dealings The Swiss central bank ves-

at 2.366 against the dollar last night compared with 2.35 on Monday, despite intervention by the Swiss authorities. 'Use oil to lower taxes' Cuts in income tax financed

by North Sea oil revenues and if necessary by higher indirect taxes are advocated today by the Economic Study Association. Mr Ronald Burgess says that this would reduce wage push inflation and help Beitain on the raod to prosperity. The sterling to float upwards, abol-ish employers' social security contributions and phase out employment subsidies.
The chance to change, Economic Study Association, 50p.

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The British Waterways Board

has asked Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment. to make a formal application to the EEC Commission for a grant towards the cost of carrying out improvements to the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigation.

TRANSPORT (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

Profit exceeds £1 million for first time

Extracts from the Statement of Mr. Edward G. Dale, Chairman:

Profit before taxation amounted to £1,327,052-exceeding £1m for the first time. In view of the difficulties encountered during the year I consider this to be an excellent result. Demand for our storage, distribution and shipping and forwarding

towards the end of last year have enabled the division to increase its profits substantially.

services was buoyant and the substantial contracts obtained

Steel stockholding and processing showed a considerable improvement both in terms of tumover and profit. In the enginearing supplies section sales and profits continued to grow. Your company's continued success depends to a great extent on the

national economic climate and it is in the interests of shareholders and employees alike that the rate of inflation is reduced as soon as Year ended 31st March £'000 £'000 £*000 25,510 18,873 15,705 Sales_ __ _ 732 1.327 761 Profit before taxation 377 Profit after taxation 1,079 402

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Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Secretary, Head Office, 473 King Street, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent ST3 1EU.

Far-reaching provisions in the 1977 Patents Act whic hare wholly new to British law were included for political reasons, despite objections by the 1970 Banks Committee Report, and with only reluctant approval from the standing advisory committee on patents, it was said at a seminar on the Act, organized this week in London by European with the Conferences and the pean btudy Conferences and the Institute of Patent Agents. The seminar was attended by 300 businessmen.

The provisions, which were sought by the TUC and the Institute of Patentees and Inventors, relate to the ownership of inventions made by employees and their right to a special award, or compensation where the

invention is of outstanding benefit. Under common law when an employee makes an invention which it

reflecting the improvement in

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their air travel and hotel book-

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fident that the volume decline

experienced early this year has

spurt in last-minute bookings,

1977's inclusive holiday sales,

at between three million and

3.5 million are likely, overall,

to be down only about 10 per

cent on 1976 instead of the 25

per cent or more drop which

was feared earlier in the year.

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weer cautiously optimistic yes-

The company is predicting

that the inclusive holiday

market next year will be at

least on the same scale, if not

bigger, than in 1977. It also

expects more people to book

earlier, with perhaps 25 per

cent confirming their bookings

earlier bookings is partly due to price guarantees which have

for next year, and partly out of disapointment about the reduction in available holidays

resulting from early cutbacks by tour operators this year.

But a big elegrent is an increased expectation of pros-

Simbilar views are expressed by Cosmos Air Holidays, and

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Late spurt boosts 1977 bookings

upswing next year

high salary—that invention belongs to

Au invention made outside the course of employment belongs to the employee. But this clear legal situation has so far been open to variation by contract. Under the new law this will no longer

Although all concerned with drafting the Act (expected to come into force next June) were agreed on this new lesal principle the CBI and others objected to the inclusion of provision for rewarding inventors whose patented ideas rightfully become the property of their employers and then prove of

Although this sounds equitable in theory, in that it will enable any employee with an especially bright idea to see some reward over and above his regular salary, it was clear from the seminar discussion that the scheme

validity of singling out one employee for reward when so many modern inventions were the result of team-

First and foremost difficulty is likely to arise in establishing what is and is not an invention of "outstanding" merit. In the House of Lords the Lord Chancellor suggested that it would be "a humdinger of a winner", and although there are some inventions that fall obviously into this category, and many others that equally obviously do not, there will also be a large number in the grey area between. Lawyers are thus likely to be kept busy debating this point as conflict of opinion arise. It will, in some cases, also be neces-ary to establish whether the inventor been inadequately rewarded in relation to the benefit enjoyed by the employer. But the burden of proof in such a dispute will lie with the employee, and he is unlikely to have mercial data necessary to prove his To save problems in the future employers will be well advised to keep records on the use of, profits from and cost of exploiting an employee. These records will need to show how

nuch benefit accrues from the patent covering it, which governs the issue of compensation, and how much accrues from knowbow, on which no compensation is available. It will also be advisable for

employers and employees to establish from the outset of their relationship exactly what that relationship means in terms of duty to invent

It was regarded by one speaker at the seminar as a "wry comment on the shifting political scene", that the rights of employees are now consolidated in a statute and those rights can only be circumvented by a collective agreement with the relevant trade unions

American bankers put case for changes in UK company laws

By Our Financial Staff

Improved financial information and other changes in company law are recommended by the American Banks Association of London (ABAL), in its evidence to the Wilson Committee on the functioning of the financial system,

Citing the stricter disclosurerequirements in the United States, which enable banks to adopt the "going-concern" approach to lending, ABAL argues that if this were extended to the United Kingdom, hanks would be in a position to lead ways freely lend more freely.

In particular, ABAL would like to see companies produc-ing a maturity schedule of its debt, details of its leasing obligations and quarterly results in the same detail as companies produce their full-year

sents the 55 American commer-cial banks in London, would also like specific security over relevant assets where security for lenders is necessary, instead of the floating charge which is

Although ABAL prefers to lend unsecured, it nevertheless feels that borrowers, lenders and trade creditors would benefit from a register of covenants restricting borrowers' ability to secure future debt

For the rest, ABAL's evidence mwirrors that from the other financial institutions when it claims that lack of demand, rather that a shortage of sumply, lies at the root of any failure of industry to invest. It holds that in the past the American banks in London have been highly competitive on the cost of money and have met the demands of variety and flexibility for its brans, includ-ing the provision of five-year

seven-year funds. As with the Accepting Houses' evidence to the Wilson Committee, ABAL's submission also includes some useful quan role in the banking system. About 21 per cent of the worldwide deposits of ABAL members are held in London,

Interest-free | New draft on loan plan for accounting homebuyers

A novel form of house pur-

chase was launched yesterday by Langford Scott & Partners, which claims to be able to offer interest-free loans to existing bouseholders and new buyers.
Langford Scott is run by
David Langford and John Scott
who worked for stockbrokers
before coming together in Quane Investments, a firm of insurance brokers of which they me both directors.

Their scheme is run on the pany of which 100,000 shares at £56 are to be offered to prospective borrowers. They will have 131 years to buy the shares at the rate of 35p per share a month. No interest is payable and unless a secondary market is established subscribers. bers are locked into their investment for 26 years. Each share (and the mini-

mum investment is 60 shares) entitles the investor to a loan of a £100 per share sometime— and that is the key word—in the course of the next 134 years. Every other mount the loan is allocated by ballot; in the alternate months the loan is rendered with the highest bidder—the maximum tender is limited to a 50 per cent pre mium o uthe capital involved The loan has to be repaid within 13; years. There is a £10 initial fee

out today

By Our Financial Staff The Accounting Scandards Committee publishes its new exposure draft (ED21) on accounting for foreign currency transactions and specific states.

ransactions* today.

It was developed after talks with financial directors of 20 big companies attempts to standardize methods in highly comproversial area of accounting practice, as a result of wide fluctuations in the value of sterling. ED21 endeavours to resolve

one of the main problems in that of reporting results—by the introduction of a basically overbooking straightforward standard.

Under it profits or losses of overseas subsidiaries would be translated and incorporated above the line in the operating profit of the company. But gains or losses on fixed assets would be taken under the line

However, as companies often raise foreign loans to finance overseas assets, the exposure provides for an offsetting mechanism whereby gains or losses on the loans can be set off against movements in the values of the fixed essers. ED21 Accounting for Foreign Currency Translations from Publications Department, PO However, I can think of no other industry where the supplier can legally deny the customer the goods or services he has bought and paid for. This practice should be ended forthwith, and the passenger who has booked his flight should be guaranteed his place. Yours faithfully, Box 433 Chartered Accountants Hall, Moorgate Place, London EC2BJ (45p post free).

Trade centre proposals for Gatt farm negotiations

By Our Economics Staff
A set of possible "compromise" proposals for resolving the wide differences over agricultural trade which separate the main industrial nations participating in the multimational trade negotiations at Geneva is advanced in a new study published this morning."

Trade in items such as grains, meat and dairy products has been one of the most difficult issues confronting negotiators from more than 100 countries.

They are trying to hammer They are trying to hammer out a more liberal world trade system under the auspices of the General Agreement on

Tariffs and Trade.

The study is written by Professor T. E. Josling, of the University of Reading, on the basis of discussions among an international group of senior officials and independent

It is published by the Trade Policy Research Centre. "Since political acceptability is neces-sary for the Tokyo round (the present set of negotiations) package to be approved, failure can be either the lack of any significant agreement on agridoes not represent any improve-ment in the economic perform-ance of the markets in ques-

Professor Josing says that "some hold and imaginative bargaining is needed to reach a conclusion by the end of 1978: the prospects have been enhanced by a less dogmaric approach by the new United States Administration to the question of agricultural trade. * Agriculture in the Token Round Negotiations, by T. E. Round Negotiations, by Josting, published by the Policy Research Centre.

Computer export | Engineers' plea aid sought

Mr Peter Merrick, newly elected president of the Computing Services Association, which represents 132 companies in the computer bureau, soft-ware and consultancy industry, said yesterday that the Associa-tion would urge the Govern-ment to provide special support for the export activities of its

members.

Mr Merrick, of LowndesAjax Computer Service, speaking in London at a luncheou
following the CSA annual general meeting, said that the
National Enterprise Board's
Insac scheme (providing export
support for companies in which
the NEB holds an equity stake)
represented an acceptance by represented an acceptance by

for action on pay

Immediate government action was needed to raise the incomes of professional engin-eers. Mr Ernest Wakefield, president of the United Kingdom Association of Professional Engineers, said yesterday at the closing session of its annual delegate conference in Not-

tingham.
The Government should not delay action until the Finniston inquiry into the engineering profession had reported, he de-clared. "In view of the overwhelming evidence already existing the Government should start to take action now to re-dress the low income of engineers in manufacturing industry and to restore this motivation to these professional workers on whom much of the future prosperity of the country

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Putting the Companies House record straight

would allow me to take up some of the points raised in the article criticizing Companies House in The Times on September 27. I am the first to scknowledge that there are faults in the new microfiche system; indeed, with over 50 million pages in the original records held in respect of the 670,000 companies on the regis-ter it would have been impossible to achieve 100 per cent perfection in their presentation on film without extending the filming operation over so long aperiod as to be imacceptable

to do, by quality checks at all stages, is to ensure that errors are kept to the minimum and that, when they are reported to us, they are dealt with quickly and efficiently. I recognize that there is dis-

agreement as to the proportion of microfiches which is unsatisfactory. We have consistently encouraged users, however, to let us know of any fault found, but despite this the level of recorded complaint during the ear that the system has been n operation has not exceeded 0.3 per cent.

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From Dr Peter Morris

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zations have voiced little con-cern, while commercial groups, sensing enormous contracts, have been vocal in its support.

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major cities into the Bristol Channel? Will the necessary quarrying and transport of

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destroy the surrounding, im-portant tourist and leisure

mbiased research.

Problem of

From Mr D. A. Thompson

Sir, As a frequent traveller to

the Continent, I can assure Mr Ward (September 23) that fly-ing British will not solve his problem British Airways, on

their own admission, are as bad

as their competitors, with a rejection rate due to over book-

I was recently subjected to considerable delay caused by over-booking, which a British

Airways customer relations officer justified as normal commercial practice, similar to

the allowance made for wastage in every sphere of industry sud

ing of 0.05 per cent.

D. A. THOMPSON,

Wood Ride, Petts Wood, Kent. September 23.

national environmental organi

Severn Barrage implications

From Mr D. B. Nottage sample of the record suggests Sir, I would be grateful if you that 3 per cent is perhaps a even this is considerably below the 8 per cent rate of complaint reported when search was carried out on the original files. As to the time taken to produce a microfiche in the Lon-

don Search Room the average delay last week was 50 minutes —less than it used to be on a file search. Moreover, a high proportion of the 7,500 searches handled each day is still re-quested in bulk in the first bour after opening; if this de-mand can be spread more evenly, as we have asked the average delay will be even less.

Finally, I would like to stress that we welcome informed and constructive criticism such as we receive in our regular disussions with the Users Group. I am confident that the greater understanding which has been understanding which has been achieved by this consultation will result, when the system is fully implemented, in a much more flexible vehicle for the dissemination of information relating to companies activities. This is particularly important in view of the greater emphasis on filing of accounts contained in the Companies Act 1976. in the Companier Yours faithfully,

D. B. NOTTAGE, HM Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, Cardiff CF4 3UZ.

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Department of Psychology,

University of Laucastar, Fylde College,

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Yours faithfully

PETER MORRIS.

Co-op bank advertising

defender

September 23

ours faithfully,

HUGH LEGGATT,

Honorary Secretary,

30 St Tames's Street

London, SW1A 1HB

Works of art

the tax man

From Mr H. Leggatt

Sir. With reference

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News, September 23) regard

From Mrs N. Ings Sir, Surely your Diarists le moral tone towards caring and sharing and staring the coop Bank (8 tember 23) it a bit discrimitator? OK so the bank bare will be a bit airnag but about 18 it a bit strong but what add tising doesn't? population when one of the major feeding areas vanishes? How will the conversion of

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tising to actual experience bave been "cared for by Co-op Bank for more than years and cared for a se-deal better than my three ha folk who have been daft enou to stick with various memb of the "big five". Yours faithfully, n. ings,

324 Buxton Road. Furness Vale, via Stockport. Cheshire SK12 7PX:

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Benjamin Priest

"A successful year in spite of difficult trading conditions"

Charles Wardle, Chairman Key points from the Annual Report for the year ended 25th March, 1977.

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Ombudsman decision on UCS soon

Sir Idwal Pugh, the Parlia-mentary Commissioner (Ombudsman) is expected to announce shortly whether he intends to launch an investigation into allegations of depart mental maladministration in the affairs of Upper Clyde Ship-builders, which collapsed six

years ago. The Ombudsman received submission made on behalf of the UCS liquidator and the company's creditors earlier this year from Mr Alex Fletcher, Conservative MP for Edinburgh North, requesting an investing Conservative MP for Edinburgh North, requesting an investigation into alleged departmental maladministration. The submission was based on an independent inquiry carried out for the liquidator and creditors.

The issue is important in view of the precedent that would be established—if the investigation goes ahead—in cases where companies collapse in which the Government has an interest.

Mr Roger Davies, marketing director of Thomson Holidays, said yesterday that up to 30 or 40 per cent of some coach tours this year had been taken an interest. The creditors of UCS are still owed about £7.5m and pre-vious requests for the Govern-ment to meet those debts have been refused. up by Americans.

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Patricia Tisdall

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Thomson Holidays nackage tour

prices for next year for instance, are about 7 per cent,

An additional aid to sales this

year, also expected to continue

in to 1978, has been a growing

number of American and Australian visitors who are purchasing inclusive holidays in

operators—are expected to

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NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

The Metropolis of Tokyo

5% % Guaranteed Dollar Bands Due April 15, 1979

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that One Million Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$1,070,000.00) principal amount of the Metropolis of Tokyo, Fifteen Year 574% Guaranteed Dollar Bonds due April 15, 1979 and bearing the following serial numbers have been drawn for the account of the Sinking Puncture and Puncture of the Sinking Puncture of the Sinking Puncture and State of the Sinking Puncture of the Sink

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THE BANK OF TOKYO TRUST COMPANY as Fiscal Agent

Dated: September 14, 1977

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From Mr. H. Ley

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Waiting for an autumn package

But now that interest charges have fallen,

a major factor for Barratt's given its £19m

bank borrowings, and material price increases seem to be slowing up, there is

Longer-term, however, the problems are

by no means over for builders. Development Land Tax and the Community Land Act have

effectively led to the complete stagnation

of the land market. Barratt has managed to

preserve a land bank of 25,500 plots and the company is currently getting by on purchases from other building firms. But in a couple of years, a continued land market stagnation

will begin to threaten the housebuilding market with the same fate.

seen. But there is at least one more cycle

left, and Barratt shares, yielding 10 per cent at 112p, promise to be at the head of

the field once it is realised that the balance

Capital spending figures are showing only the most tentative revival, and the banks are still saying they see little sign of an upturn

in demand for investment finance. Signifi-

cantly, however, in view of the weight of evidence to the Wilson Committee that small companies face difficulties raising perma-nent finance, venture capital operations are

Yesterday Gresham Investment Trust

announced at its annual meeting that "inquiries for our business of providing permanent and long-term capital for the

private company is higher than for some

time past." Gresham's experience is fully borne out by ICFC which, with 2,500 cus-

tomers is by far the biggest venture capital provider. In the first 20 weeks of this financial year ICFC, part of Finance for Industry which is chaired by Lord Seebohm (above), has received applications from over

400 companies for a total in excess of £60m, roughly double the level of this time last

pear. Acceptances are also running at double

last year's level, the upturn being uniformly

Charterhouse, too, is seeing buoyant demand, although it points out that the approaches are chiefly coming from the service and distribution sectors. It is still not

seeing much interest in finance for new fac-

It is small comfort that nickel has been

partly protected by the severe world steel recession, since speciality steels have held up relatively well, but not well enough with

extra nickel production coming on stream.

the more intense by Inco's new attitude forced on it partly because its share of non-

communist production has dropped from around two thirds a few years ago to below

40 per cent now. Vicious price cutting has

ensued openly since Inco ceased to post its prices in July and announced at the same

time that it had rescinded last year's in-

is all very well for the industry to argue that some of the new mines shortly due to come on stream will need \$3.20 a pound to be profitable. The market as ever will dicrate

whether that is feasible, and economic

indicators do not yet point to a resurgence

of the capital goods industry and thus demand for nickel.

With prices down now to \$1.80 a pound it

crease from \$2.20 a pound to \$2.41.

The industry's struggle has been made all

seen across the 18-strong branch network.

reporting splendid business.

sheet is not as bad as many expected.

How this will be resolved by the industry or a future Government— remains to be

some hope that margins will recover.

Chancellor's speech to the IMP yesteradded precious little to what has already n said on the subject of a stimulative kage for the British economy. Indeed, Healey seemed to be giving little away all on future government policy. True, spoke of the need for surplus countries and Britain would be figuring increasingly minently in this list—to boost the iging world economy by putting greater phasis on their imports rather than ir exports. But it was equally clear that tain's contribution to this would have be seen in the context of the country's d to accumulate the reserves necessary repay our substantial—some \$20,000m— : overseas debts.

Meanwhile, it does seem clear that there soing to be a stimulative package of sorts November barring any major setback on labour/pay front over the next few s a very definite limit on the size of the nulus and that a package that is merely tifying an undershoot situation should tifying an undershoot situation should the state of the full year money supply targets. (hat said, moves this autumn to push ney supply growth firmly towards the

ney supply growth firmly towards the end of its annual target range by the i of the year would leave the money uply growing at an annualized rate of ne 15 per cent over the second-half of the rent financial year—a rate of growth it would be fairly significant in real terms. defender hints the Chancellor dropped about his ins for the spring, out it would have was ans for the spring, but it would almost mura the training course developed for short-

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e day mere program.

ope springs eternal among housebuilders. o even a 24 per cent fall in pre-tax profits om Barratt Developments has failed to ifset the optimism engendered by the mpany's statements about a substantial ickup in activity earlier in the year. Barratt is indeed had a tough period. Moreover, of the pre-tax profits of £7.4m, £1.2m is due to operty sales of almost 400 houses and operty sales of amost the Janes acquisi-

> Barratt's overall margins fell to 7.5 per nt from 11.9 per cent and 25.7 per cent in 173 and finally though the balance sheet essure has been eased by the new accountg standards on deferred tax.

> Housebuilders now need an increase in ices urgently. Everything suggests this ust happen soon : certainly a falling mornge rate and growing economic confidence e the most substantial upward pointers for me time, though wages will be the deter-ining factor. Barratt is aiming for a 15 per

nt increase in prices this year on its exista average house price of £10,500. sperience of how overheads can soar ggest that the company would like 15 per int to be a minimum.

conditions he present difficulties in the nickel indus-ty have been suspected for some time. But ally now is the situation becoming clear.

Major producers are having to admit to prious problems. The four largest (Inco.

mager 15th Marting) have little alternative since they have

Producers, including those who mine ickel mainly as a by-product, seem to be uggesting that the worst is over and that t will not be long before production and

f more than a year's stocks.

anounced production cutbacks.

lemand are in equilibrium, even if that does

gnore the historically very heavy overhang

However, outside observers, notably the lapanese who have a knack of getting these.

hings right, say that the industry will emain in the doldrums for several years and that the production cutbacks, while

'eal enough, have not been sufficient.' This point seems to have been underlined

essfulyea [wo sides to the nickel argument

How union restraint is helping Japan

The sharp decline in labour inrest was due to the increasingly conciliatory attitudes of shour and management in the another, as a result of their common desire to protect jobs and incomes through cooperation." This statement, a succinct and telling summary of one of the main factors behind Japan's success story, is contained in the latest report on the country's labour problems issued last week by the Japan federation of employers associations —industry's major forum for

In essence, the report shows clearly how Japan's otherwise militant unions in the private sector, faced with a recession over the past three years, have curtoiled demands on wage increases to keep their companies -and Japan afloat and booming during a period of crisis.

As a result Japan has re-mained competitive, and although many key industries are still threatened with recession, the country is expected to emerge with an overall trade surplus of £8,045m, at the end of the fiscal year.

of the fiscal year.

In a significant sidelight to its report on Conditions of the labour economy of Japan, the federation of employers (Nikkeiren) points out that, unlike unions in the public sector, workers in the private sector of domestic and exporting industries curtailed both their demands and strikes as Japan entered a period of recession in 1974.

"Statistics on labour disputes

"Statistics on labour disputes show that the working days lost of 9.6 milion in 1974 to cight million in 1975 and 3.2 million in 1975 and 3.2 million in 1976, the federation says. It is here that the report makes its comment that the decline in labour unrest was due to the increasingly conciliatory atti-tudes of labour and management in the private sector towards one another.

In a rare statement for business leaders of a big industrialized nation, the Nikkeiren sums up wage negotiations this year as follows: "In contrast to the voluntery and responsible manner in which wage settle ments were reached in the private sector, the unions of corporations repeated their illegal strikes. As a result, they extracted larger wage concessions from shall ms from their employers than did the private sector

"However, their behavious invited strong public criticism." The report goes on to declare that unions representing Japan's main exporting industries—iron, steel, electronics and vehicles— "reached an instant settlement on wage increases with management this year—without resorting to strikes".

management in the private railway sector conducted negotiaindependently of railway unions in the public sector. Thus, for the first time in nine years, private sector railway unions accepted wage offers without the arbitration of the central labour relations commission."

Because of a thriving economy — boosted mainly by hard work and Japan's competitive power in exports — the average monthly wage of workers increased just over nine times during the past 22 years to the present level of £435, the Nikkeiren report

Supporting this report of industrial harmony in Japan, one of the country's most powerindicated this month that was demands next year will not exceed the rate of inflation tion. At the same time workers in Japan's car industry have promised to work through their holidays to meet expart orders.

Peter Hazelhurst | instead of Europe State United

David Blake on the background to the IMF's Washington talks

How the world's economy has broken adrift

There is a great deal of talk in public at the International Moneyary Fund's meeting in Washington about the idea of taking action to boost the world's economy in 1978. In private, a different mue

Most of the people from the industrial countries seem agreed on one thing; that the world's economy is going sour on us at a pace no one imagined possible six months ago, and there seems no way

Giving a new round of fiscal boosts to the economies either of the strong nations alone or of some others as well may in fact be the right thing to do, but the reason it is being tried at the moment is quite simply that most other things seem to have been tried and have

Pushing for faster growth through expanding public sector deficits may fail as well, but at least it seems better than doing nothing while the world

It is now just under three years since the recession which came in the wake of the increase in oil prices touched bottom, and there has been no real recovery. There have been short periods when output has grown, as early last year, but they have been so short as not to provide any self-sustaining

> Most experts agree that the world's economy is going sour -and there seems no way out

The pause has come so fast, indeed, that even at the moment when ministers have been starting to congratulate them-selves that things are coming right, a new setback has been developing. We are clearly in one of those

phases of faltering now, but this time there is no hope that things will sort themselves out in a few months to console us. Even the IMF's forecasts for next year, which are much more optimistic than those of Cooperation and Development, suggest that Europe's growth will be running at an annual rate of below 4 per cent in the first half of 1978. That is not fast enough to prevent unemployment rising and it is cer-

tainly not fast enough to give

time when there is muse capacity everywhere. Those IMF forecasts are in any case rather odd. What the fund's economists seem to have done is to accept that every one's earlier estimates for 1977 one's earlier estimates for 1977; have turned out wildly optimistic and assume that because the second half of this year will be bed there will be a catching up in the first half of 1978. A much more likely pattern is that the nitra-slow growth during 1977 has postponed yet again the investment revival which is the key to any real recovery.

unemployment are now inevitable well into next year, even if there is a new round of stimulus by the strong countries. This is bad; what makes it worse is that there is an increasing possibility that instead of Europe being pulled

directors of Datsun's UK import

subsidiary.

The dealers formed a committee earlier this month which called on Darsun to release

dealers, Darsun has already said that the rise in its share of the United Kingdom car market from 5.4 per cent in 1976 to 6.4 per cent this year is "with-in the tramework" of the understanding between the motor industries of the United

Datsun is, in fact, facing a tricky dilemma. By imposing restrictions to avoid criticism, it allows other Japanese pro-ducers like Toyota and Honda as well as European manufacturers-to mop up its lost

committee is Peter Fletcher who runs a big Datsun dealer ship in Leeds. He says that within 10 days from the start of this mouth he was mable to register any more new cars, and has 60-70 vehicles that cannot be delivered to customers

high level of sales and then the same restriction will apply. You can't run a business like that. If the situation continues a lot of Darsun dealers will be put into financial jeopardy."

" Must clear before October 3: Six storage heaters, three large, two small." (Advertisement in



Mr Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England (left), with Mr Denis Healey. Chancellor of the Exchequer at the Washington meeting yesterday.

States, the Americans may end up being pulled down by

The question which the ministers are asking them-selves publicly is whether they should accept greater risks on the inflation front in the hope of pushing up output to prevent a major recession appearing by 1979. Privately, though, many people seem to take a gloomier view in which they talk and act as if they felt that they had lost control over their own affairs Talle the Germans for example. Until recently they

have been the most rum-bustious supporters of the view that they were doing enough in their economy to deal with their own unemployment and to thelp reduce the very large imbalances on current account. That confidence is all gone, vanished with the almost monthly downward revisions of their growth estimates for this

Just why the German economy has performed so badly nobody there seems to know. The slowdown in Germany has exceeded even the most pessimistic predictions of outside bodies like the OECD. No one expects that the latest package of measures, which is to start winding its way through Parliament, will do much to increase growth, certainly not to a level where the Germans can start to be a "locomotive" pulling the world along. why the German

There will probably be more measures later on, as the litest round turn out to be insufficient, but of these, mo not much is expected.

One difficulty which the Germans face is that the measures they aurounce are often not the measures which accusely happen. Income tax cuts go straight into the savings bank, short-circuiting the multiplier

Even more remarkable has been the extent to which money voted for public expenditure programmes never gets speat. Indeed, in the German case, an undershoot on public spending tution that countries turn to has been one of the most impor-when other sources of finance has been one of the most import when other sources of finance tant factors dragging the run out. It is the balance of economy down.

They are not slone in this; all over the world public spending is turning out to be con-sistently lower than it is supposed to be. This has nap-pened in Britain and the United States as well, and seems to be endemic in the way budgets are drawn up, with spending ministries always asking for more money than that they expect to spend so that they can be on the safe side. That may be safe for them; but it makes management of the economy immeasurably more difficult for forecasters who build in assumptions to their models which are quite wrong

There is no doubt that intheir own interest the Germans could and should have done more to increase their growth rate. But in reality it has always been unreadistic to try to put the whole burden of solving the gap between output and productive potential onto the Germans, the Japanese and the United States.

Not much can be expected in the way of extra growth from the IMF's policy of encouraging countries which have moved into surplus after years of delicit to stimulate their economies. That is an important development for Britain, because it ends the uncertainty about what both the fund and the Government were intending to

But Britain is a rarity, because it is suddenly gaining the benefit of North Sea oil. Without that there would be no surplus and the rest of the world does not have this bonus. That is why France, for example, is expected to have a deficit of \$4,000m (£2,300m) this year, to be running deficit at an annual rate \$3.500m next nowhere near the fund criterion

The fund's attitude is understandable because it is in the front line of balance of pay-ments problems, being the insti-

payments constraints which lie behind the fund's emphasis of austerity packages for the coun-tries it visits.

Negotiating deals effec-tively reduce domestic consumption in a string of countries.

This will, in all likelihood, be
a greater force on the downward side in the next year than any stimuli that Switzerland and The Netherlands, the two small

The Netherlands, the two small surplus countries, can provide. The other approach, to which we are drifting, but drifting slowly, is to accept that the global deficit of the industrial world is here to stay, accept also that imbalances within the West are impervious to attempts to remedy them and switch to a strategy of encourswitch to a strategy of encouraging everyone to expand at a medium pace instead of saying that some like the Germans should go fast and others should slow down.

The big question about that, of course, is whether it can be done without rekindling inflation. For it is inflation which still remains one of the most difficult problems facing the world. We have now had nearly world. We have now had nearly four years of very restrictive demand policies and the inclation rate is still 7 per cent on average, with no real sign of coming down.

The signs are frankly not that encouraging. When the economy did show some signs of pick-up in 1976, the inflation rate started to stockerate

tion rate started to atcelerate quite rapidly. But the truth is that we just do not know.
On the old relationships, un-

employment of over 15 million in the OECD should have brought inflation down much more than it has, so maybe a reduction of unemployment could be achieved either without pushing the inflation rate up or possibly even bring it down through reducing costs as output expends. What ever we do it is hard to avoid the feeling that the rest of this decade is going to be a

Priest & Son iy Inco, which is not going to adopt its 1971 ole when it bailed out the whole industry. Business Diary: Liberal aims? • BA's carry on

The Liberal economics group neets at the Royal Pavilion, righton, today to hear an ddress on John Pardoe's taxaion proposais from Ronald

Burgess signs the foreword to the Change to Change: To-rards an Economic Revival, thich is published today and the latest effusion from the iccomic Study Association. He appears, to be the primus nter pines of the ESA, an economic research body egistered with the Charity commission and incorporated by

narantee in 1966. The ESA declares itself to be n " independent" body whose nembers "come from all walks izinces which cover all three parties and parliamentary parties.

Burgess told Records Burgess told Business Diary

State of Description o pokesman on economic affairs. He has in the past advised in Keith Joseph on unemploypent and taxation policy, and

te recently published a pam-hlet Social Justice or Un-tridled Government for the ight wing pressure group, Aims or Freedom and Enterprise. Burgess is a former comnodities consultant (Pardoe is member of the London Metal Exchange) and says ESA has an account of between £10,000

and £100,000 a year but—such is an economist's cavalier way figures declines to be The money comes partly from

contributions from a number of sources who in Burgess's words "You know well enough but who don't want to be

This is believed to be a reference to a right-wing indus-trialists' association and to: a number of companies.

Reader Peter Clarke saw our recent note about the London. pub exterior that had one sign declaring it to be "An English Heritage Pub" above another saying "American hamburgers". We then reported s a company himsred by that the second sign had subsequently come down, but that, not liking the beer, we hadn't been in to see if the hamburgers had been taken away. The intrepid Clarke now writes to say that he did go in and not only were the hamburgers on sale but also available were "that quaint old English entertainment, the juke box, and that well become ald English that well-known old English pub game, the electronic racing car machine ".

> Ross Stainton, the deputy chairman of British Airways, was on hand yesterday when the state carrier was presented with its Queen's Award for Expert Advisors and the Vice port Achievement by the Vice-Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, Admiral Sir Charles

Stranton said that BA reservations staff had secured 1,500 hotel beds for travellers in London every night this summer and could have done more were the beds available.

BA passengers, one might add, may now be able to sleep more soundly in those beds, following Business Diary's inindividuals and partly from following Business Diary's in-ndividuals and partly from following Business Diary's in-podies such as the Wincott formation that the airline has podies such as the wincott formation that the investi-foundation. There are also set up a special unit to investiformation that the airline has



"We're not asking for this pay increase for ourselves. We're doing it because we believe in reflation."

gate the illegal carrying of dangerous cargo. Ten or more alleged breaches of the regulations are now being investigated each week. Two of the more recent concern a shipper fixed for declar-ing goods to be "ship's spares" when they were in fact. rockets and cartridges and another consignment, under a false label, happened

British Airways would like the government to be tougher in administering the law on dangerous cargoes. Apparently about half the breaches investi-gated involved potential danger to aircraft or staff, and as freight is often carried on passenger planes—to the public.

Capel-Cure Myers, whose 12-man gilts team has been poached by rival stockbrokers Fielding Newson-Smith, is apparently wasting no time in repairing the breach.
Capel-Cure's chairman, David

Grenier, has persuaded 50-year-old gilts specialist John McGregor, to return to the City after a year's absence. He will join the firm next mouth to head a new gilts department when the old ream goes in

Ironically McGregor was a leading light in the "roving" gilts team, now headed by David Shaw, when it joined Capel-Cure en bloc from Houre Govett just over four years ago.
His relationship with the firm, however, ended abruptly last year after a policy row with the then management and he has since been completing an MSc in quantitative business methods at Surrey University. Although gilts accounted for about 15 per cent of Capel-Cure's profits last year the firm

is predominantly an equities specialist with a large private client operation. According to Grenier, the new department will have only six to eight people and will work much more closely with the equities side while servicing

institutional clients. He said yesterday : "We don't regard the loss of 15 per cent of our profits as a calamity. especially as we are confident that we can build them up

Rebeilious car dealers who want an end to positical restric-tions on the numbers of cars they can sell; await with interest a statement, expected within

carled on Dansun to release cars. The Datsun statement, we understand, will probably proise dealers for their marketing efforts but is unlikely to offer anything more substantial.

In a confidential letter to be a confidential

Kingdom and Japan.

The chairman of the action before October 1.

"This creates a very silly situation", he said. "The first 10 days of October will show a

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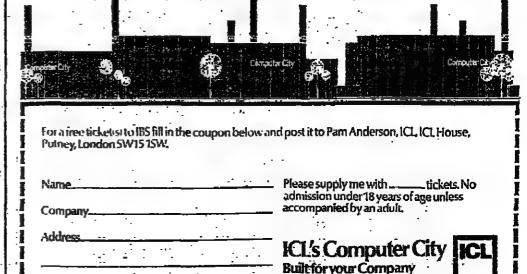
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Stock markets

Shares hold on despite retreat in gilts

Reports foreign investors, heavily involved on Monday, were back in the market as sellers and by the close most of the longer maturities were lower by as much as £1. Shorter dates lost

up to half a point.
Equities lacked the impetus to make further progress after

Several observers have lowered their sights for Tootal which has interim figures today, not because Tootal has done anything wrong but simply because so many big groups reporting for more than a week have been disappointing. But Tootal should be confident, and today's news should be good enough to suggest profits for the year of up to £22.5m against £17.7m. Revised interim forecasts of only £8½m could also be too cautious. The shares are 47p. Several observers have lowered

a bright start in the first couple of hours. But they stayed firm enough to absorb light but persistent profit taking and by the close the FT Index, 3.5 up at 10 am, was just 0.7 ahead at 522.0.

Specifically consumer issues continued to attract attention on the prospect of an economic stimulus while banking shares were in good form as investors noted the rising trend in

Among the best of the performances in the consumer sec-tor were Comet Radio, better by 7p to 142p, Currys, up by the same amount to 205p, and Burco Desn which jumped 5p to 53p.
For like reasons there were

similar gains among the stores with British Home Stores lead-ing the way with a rise of 13p

Oxley now

than ever

ment assistance to two subsi-diaries, half-time pre-tax profits reached £519.000 against a corresponding loss of £31,000 in the six months to June 30.

The group returns to the divident list for the first time since 1973. The gross interim payment is 6.5 per cent, and the board, headed by Mr Michael

fits to more than match those of the first balf. This suggests

a pre-tax total of over £1m.

(Conditions in the printing industry are still described as difficult. But the tax charge

should be minimal this year and

next — capital investment this year should run out at about film and double that in 1978

so the benefits of new management and plant should be flowing through to earnings.

fitter

Gilt-edged stocks lost ground to 240p. Others supported were sharply as the inevitable profits Mothercare, up 6p to 194p, and cer at 166p.

The mood spread to food issues like Rowntree Mackintosh, strong since its recent figures and which rose another 12p to 412p. Associated Dairies was another well supported, at 363p, 8p better, while Wm Mor-rison gained 4p to 186p after figures. A renewal of bid specu-lation helped J. Bibby to add 5p for a finish of 161p.

The way ahead in the clear-ing banks was set by Midland which jumped no less than 17p to 352p. But the other clearers also chipped in with solid gains, Lloyds going ahead 11p to 275p, National Westminster 10p to 282p and Barclays 5p to

Insurances, too, were well 112p after the announcement. Americ supported, the pick being Royal In plantations both Single said to up 10p to 442p, Sun Alliance 11p to 24p and Empire Planta-share.

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John Faggas (F)
J. Harrison (1)
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R. P. Martin (F)
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Wm Morrison (I) 40.3(28.0)
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Rustenburg (F) --(--)
Solicitors' Law (I) 9.5(8.1)
Tomatin Dist (I) 4.9(3.8)
Unicorn Ind (I) 34.0(24.8)
C.&W. Walker (I) 2.7(2.2)
Wathoughs (I) 3.8(3.2)

Mothercare, up 6p to 194p, and four penny gains from both Gus "A" at 31p and Marks & Spencer at 1660.

100 to 630p, Guardian Royal Exchange 9p to 272p, Eagle Star 8p to 168p, Phoenix 6p to 294p and Still reflection. which finished 5p ahead at 305p.

The leaders generally ran out

of steam but firm exceptions were to be found in Rank, which held on to a 6p gain at 266p, Pilkington, up 8p to 515p, and BAT Industries which stayed Sp ahead at 288p. After the partial disappointment at the previous day's figures Fisons stayed steady at 350v. Building issues to go ahead on results were brickmakers Ibstock Johnsen, 10p to 144p, and Blockleys which finished with a gain of 4p to 72p. Housebuilder Barratt Developments, firm ahead of figures in recent days, made little progress at 112p after the announcement.

Latest results

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tions 3p to 26p made progress after bid developments but Adwest lost 10p to 274p as hopes of terms from Racal began to fade. Diploma Investments were helped to the extent of 6p to 171p by favourable comment but the chairman's remarks continued to depress Esperanza which was lowered another 10p to 193p, a drop of

24p in two days.
On the oil pitch both EP 7p to 923p and Oil Exploration 8p to 300p lost ground, the last named as profits were taken. One factor for BP was a North Sea gas well report which was considered by dealers to be inconclusive. But Siebens Oil was wanted at 290p, firstly on talk of encouraging news soon on the ninth Brae Field well, which could upgrade the whole field, and also rumour of an American bid for the company said to be worth around £4 a

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Caparo goes

private investment company showing a net asset deficiency

for Empire

and Singlo

By Ray Maughan

A strong rise in interim profits and a good forecast helped Tomatin to rise 7p to 75p in the drinks sector while textue group rose no less than 40p to 455p after strong full year figures and a scrip. Two reporting in paper and printings were United News-

Henlys was well supported on speculation that Heron Motor may soon make a decision about its 27 per cent stake bought from Brown Brothers almost a year ago. Heron has already made a paper profit of around £1.5m on the deal but the betting is that it will make a full scale bid. Henlys shares closed 7p better at 130p.

papers, better by 7p to 303p, and Oxley Printing which ended with a gain of 2p to 47p. Another in the sector was Watmoughs where doubled pro-fits and a scrip had the shares 100 to the good at 88p.

In properties speculative interest boosted Compco 13p to 113p while Stock Conversion was a firm spot in a generally subdued sector gaining 7p to 233p. Continuing doubts lowered Peachey 2p to 65p after 62p. Ahead of the South Crofty flotation leter this week St Piran jumped 7p to 78p in the mining sector.

mining sector.

Equity turnover on September 26 was £96.41m (19,270 bargins). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were GEC, ICI, Shell, Marks & Spencer, BAT Ind. General Accident, Lloyds Bank, National Westminster Bank, Grand Metropolitan, Reed, Gus "A", GKN, Royal Insurance. Caral Laisure. Adwest, Oil Ex-Coral Leisure, Adwest, Oil Exploration, Peachey Property, Diploma Investments and J.

Unlike most big companies

that have reported recently.

Unicorn Industries, the old

Universal Grinding, has dis-

covered the knack of pleasantly

surprising even those who

follow it. The shares duly rose

Newspapers in the six months to June 30, but pre-tax profits rose

nearly 32 per cent to £2.8m.

Turnover went up 14 per cent to £22m with most of the improve-

ment coming from newspaper

sales and advertising, which rose 11 per cent and 14 per

cent respectively. Shareholders will collect a dividend of 9.09p gross against 8.47p.

Lord Barnetson, chairman,

reports that trading has been maintained at a satisfactory level throughout the third quarter. Apart from that he

points out that in August last

year all the group's newspapers were brought to a standstill by industrial action.

This week the coupon on

local authority bonds is un-changed at 63 per cent. The biggest borrower is Birmingham with £3m, while Hillingdon, Oldham and Sunderland are

each raising film. Ealing is also raising £1m bur over two years while Newcastle has a three-year

bond for the same amount.

Yearling hold

steady at $6\frac{7}{8}$ pc

ing grinding wheels.

MFI shrugs aside recession and pays out one third more

MFI Warehouses, the dis-ount furniture specialist, eems to have had an armchair ride through the consumer spending recession.

Bucking the trend in what has been an extremely poor year for many furniture retailers, MFI managed to improve profits more than four-fifths to £1.86m on the back of a 60 per cent sales rise to 233.73m in the 12 months to May 28. Mr Arthur Southon, chair-

man, says that trading has continued on an upward track since the year ended and the group should be able to take further advantage of any general upturn in spending on consumer durables. Growth last year came from

new branches—the total grew by 13 during the year and the group now operates 55 stores mainly on out-of-town sites—as



Mr Arthur Souther, chairman, well as strong volume growth in existing centres.

The effect of higher volume

growth and a slower rise in

enabled the group to push pre-

New store openings -slower rate as the group ads more selective approach finding new sites, but the gre is examining possibilities

5.96p gross.

overseas expansion: Mr Southon says that the could be real potential for MFI's type of knock-de furniture and the group been looking at possibility particularly in the Uni States and Holland.

tax margins up more than ha point to 5.5 per cent.
MFI has taken advantage

the Treasury's recovery re

to lift its dividend back to

1972 level when profits read

a peak of £2.2m pre-tax bef

problems on the now disc tinued mail order side knocl

earnings for six. As a re-this year's payment is ef-

tively increased by a third

Record year and 'scrip' from John Haggas

In the twelve months to June 30 pre-tax profits of this West Yorkshire-based worsted spinner rose from 22.7m to £3.3m. Turnover went up by 21 per cent to £20.2m and margins widened a bit to 16.2 per cent.
Earnings a share were 65.05p
against 53.81p and the total
dividend, of 5.09p compared
with 4.57p is accompanied by
a proposed scrip issue of fourfor-one.

for-one.
The spinning division had an

As such it is much more than

a United Kingdom group and Mr Brian Ball-Greene, chairman,

points to the latest headway in

the face of a drop in gross-domestic product and consumer.

spending in the second quarter

By Michael Clark

An "outstanding" performance by the spinning division of the pound enabled the group of John Haggas has helped the group to another set of record profits.

But in the knitting division the flood of imported fabric and the profits.

and garments throughout the year. persisted Trading at home and overseas are depressed and the group has had to introduce short time working in some plants. Nevertheless trading profits so far this year are in line with these of last year and the outlook for the rest of the year is brighter. The shares climbed 33p to

£3.62m. The upshot was that the £467,000 interim dividend

is well covered by equity earnings of £1.7m or 7.3p.

For last year as a whole Unicorn made just over £5m before tax. Before the latest figures analysts were going for

453p yesterday on the latest

Sime back to peak profits again

Sime Darby, the big Ho kong-based trading group, returned to record profits. T reflects improvements in neg all subsidiary companies, p bicularly in the plantation terests which took full add tage of generally buoyent wo commodity markets, says Tun Ten Siew Sin chairma In the year to lune 30 pritax profits rose 15.3 per to a record \$M151.4m (£35.)
This compares with £22.3m § 1975. Turnover at \$M1367 (£319m) was the high recorded in the group's high and exceeded less year's first by 17.3 per cent. Extra wdine profits arose principally iso sales of land by its subside the Amov Canning Corporati

(Hong Kong).
These extraordings hems i creased profits extraordings of Sime Derby Holdings 5M95.4m (£22.3m). There are a 20 per cent growth in pr capital and reserves during it year to \$M740.8m and her be rowings were reduced 139 nicent to \$M80.3m. The reduced not 35 per cem away 26.0 per cent excludes a sread dividend of 5.0 per cent religi to the Amov land sales. A year of record results we turnover profits and access t reacting an allthue high

vear's rerformance. Results from Consolida Plantations showed an increin turnover of 21.2 per cent cressed as world common markets remained buoyant (

Commodity trading on fio2.1m in the year to June 17. Pre-tax profits rose 43.7. Const to £3.06m.

The chairman says that the group's financial strength vided both the base and b poportunity for further gro development. He

thinks that Sime can look ward to a year in which group can build imon strengths and profitably tend its range of activities.

Business appointments:

Finance director for National

J. M. Paton has resigned. Mr Geoffrey Lomer bas,

Mr P. Hallett becomes an assurclate director of Fisons. Dr
J. S. G. Cox leaves the board
for a post th Switzerland.
Dr D. H. C. Taylor has become
a director of Ricardo Codsulfus.

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English & Overseas Invest- SIS as has Mr Ole Christenson, Confidence in a revival at Oxley Printing Group, which has hoisted the shares this year from 9p to 47p, up 2p yesterday, is more than justified by the Sandelson, founder of broker Sandelson & Co, and now of stockbroker, Rowe Rudd. Mr Charles Shone is expected group's interim progress.

Taking in £128,000 of Govern-

to resign from the board at the meeting following the decision by Sterling Industrial Securities

ments, once headed by Mr John chief executive of the wholly Bloom of Rolls Razor, will have owned Athena reproductions, a vacant seat on its board after art shops and galleries sub-tomorrow's annual meeting. But sidiary which acquired a 13.52 per cent holding from the same

source.

Renewed interest in the shares, which have come up from 4p to 151p this year, stems from the sharp upturn in the group's fortunes. Turnover in the year to March 31 last climbed from £2.87m to £4.23m to sell its 38 per cent holding climbed from £2.87m to £4.23m in English & Overseas.

Mr Sandelson has picked up against the corresponding loss more than 10 per cent from of £328,000.

Ibstock Johnsen up 8 pc

Lewis, intends to declare a final
of 8.5 per cent, equivalent to a
total of 3.75p per share.
Mr Lewis and his colleagues
are expecting second half proby 6.7 per cent.

The group's overseas companies now include two Belgian factories and the international ganagement and technical services company, in addition to the Dutch group which now operates six factories compared with three last year.

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Dated: September 14, 1977

Despite the wet weather in the first three months of this year and a fell in the national deliveries of bricks by 19 per cent Ibstok Johnsen has managed to increase its deliveries by 67 per cent.

look for the remainder of the year is fairly good despite the gloomy state of the construc-tion industry generally.

Overall the group should show a useful increase in profit in the second helf of this year.

showing a net asset denciency in its accounts for the year to March 31 last, has increased its contested bid for Empire Plantations and Investments by 3p to 26p per share and made an offer worth 24p per share for Empire's near 30 per cent owned associate, fellow Indian tea estate group, Singlo Holdings.

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Holdings. Owned by Mr Swraj Paul, a United Kingdom resident whose family has extensive shipping, hotel and steel interests in India, Caparo decided to in-crease its Empire offer and pitch for Single after Single opened a bid for three soft,

drinks companies.

The chief objection to these soft drink purchases, Caparo explains, is that they will be financed mainly by placing 13 per cent of Single at 18p per share. The places are thought share. The places are thought to be City institutions who will gain the benefit of subsoribing for Singlo shares at a discount to the Singlo share price and 6p per share under Caparo's

Caparo is asking shareholders to defer their decision concern-ing the proposed acquisitions until after its own offer has been declared unconditional or lapsed.

While not necessarily dis-agreeing with the commercial logic of Single's intentions, Caparo finds it difficult to form a view as to their financial merits. It bases its objections on the principle that the placing proposals would be demonstrably unfair to all the existing shareholders who we believe should be given the opportunity to acquire shares on these advantageous terms by means of a rights issue. At one point earlier this

month Caparo announced that it might consider selling its entire Empire stake, 39.3 per cent of the voting rights on full conversion, at any level above its offer price as the shares then stood at a 51p premium to the initial offer.

Briefly

A one third gain at Walker

All activities of the C. & W. Walker Holdings group contri-buted to the 34 per cent advance in pre-tax profits to a record £329,000 for the six months to July 30. Orders at this specialist maker of heavy metal and plastics fabrications are ahead of budget and the directors view the future with

Given further good trading, the board intends to pay the 9.09p dividend for the year which was cleared by the

Liquidity has continued to improve and strict cash and debtor controls are a major factor in corporate planning. The group now has the re-sources to move into the realms of bigger contracts.

AERO AND GEN INSTRUMENTS

Globe Investment Trust has 11.25 per cept following the acquisition on September 19 of securities previously held by Cable Trust. This includes 100,000 shares Trust. This includes 100,000 shares which Electra Investment Trust, now a subsidiary of Globe, holds. RANKS HOVIS McDQUGALL The Pension Fund has paid about £800,000 for freehold of a modern office block in Gulldford, Surrey. Vendors were Landlink Properties.

around £6m for 1977. The omens now favour as much as £7m even though the second The credit, he explains, goes to continued extension of the 4p to 97p yesterday so shareholders who bought at last product range and geographical spread. Recently Unicorabought two more concerns in Brazil and the United States. The six months to June 30 saw sales rise by 37 per cent to f34.09m and margins widen year's low have nearly doubled half year will probably fall a bit short of the first siz their money. Unicorn is now the third largest abrasives concern in the world, and the biggest not owned by Americans. It is still probably best known for mak-

Unicorn's pleasant surprise

is based on fatter margins

The six months to June 30
saw sales rise by 37 per cent orders have held up surpristo £34.09m and margins widen appreciably. Pre-tax profits figures should show "a further soared by nearly 70 per cent to

Utd News up 32pc at half time There was little change in makes parts for agricultural group Hush Mackey, so no one

products and, machine knives, and garden and hand tools. CMT has told the Tyzack board that it has acquired 417,500 shares, which is just under one guarter of the equity.

The last set of accounts showed that in November 1976.

Dawnay Day Group held 10.99 per cent of the equity and Miss M. W. Tyzsck 13.63 per cent. Holdings of the board, both beneficial and other, including family interests, came to under amily interests, came to under

Recovery is well under way at Tomarin Distillers. Pre-tax profits for the six months to lune 30 were 45 per cent up at £363,000, and the board says that there should be a further substantial improvement in profits in the second half year. This is based on the orders for

CMT has 25pc of

W Tyzack, Sons A big stake has been declared by Central Manufacturing & Trading Group in W. Tyzack, Sons & Turner which

3 per cent. Much better year at Tomatin Distillers

This is based on the orders for new whisky received to date. The news added 7p to the shares to make them 74p. Over the whole of last year profits reached £430,000, compared with £508,000 a year earlier and the record £917,000

made in 1974.

Mackay shows how it fought carpet slump No one could have expected much from "Durham" carpet

Dunlop and T & N Turner and Newall has taken 40 per cent stake in a new

Spanish venture by

rise to £3.9m in turnover.

Happily for Mackay, the group supplies a lot of carpet for hotels and restaurants where demand is still good and exports are going well. The group was

also ready to buy when carper

wool values weakened after last April. This took pressure off costs climbing elsewhere.

Spanish company—TBA Iberica SA—established with a capital of 60m pesetas (£408,000). The remainder of the equity is held by Dunloo Iberica, which is owned half by Dunloo International and half by local Spanish interests. Spanish interests.

The new company will manufacture the TBA range of Permanite compressed asbestos fibre jointings, which are the basis of automotive and industrial gaskets, in a plant on Dun-lop's Iberica's factory site at Bilbao. The product will be marketed by Dunlop Iberica in Spain and by the export organization of Turner & Newall elsewhere.

Colgate set to do better than ever Colgate-Palmolive Company,

distributors of toilet products. expects to report record high sales and profits for the third quarter, "although the rate of growth may be just under that achieved in the first half", Mr Walter A. Hahn, vice-president In the first half, world-wide sales rose by 7 per cent to a record \$1,300m (about £1,000m) from a year earlier. Net income rose more than 10 per cent to \$75.6m from the 1976 figure. In the third quarter of last year sales totalled \$885m and net income \$43.2m.

Mr Hahn said that for the full year, Coleate-Palmolive expects record sales and profits, and in 1978, he added, results would 'almost certainly exceed " those of this year. In 1976 the company reported net income of \$149.3m on sales of \$3,500m. In the first eight months this year, Mr Hahn said that sales were up 8 per cent from a year earlier, and net income up 10

sales in the United States rose by 6.5 per cent from a year earlier and profit by 7 per cent Westralian Sands The operating loss of Westra-

a turnover of \$A6.7m. This com-pares with a profit of \$A2.1m a year ago on a turnover of

lian Sands of Australia for year ended June 30 amounted to \$A489,000 (about £306,000) on

International

\$A6.3m. Westralian attributed the loss to the continuing downmineral sands products, particu-Club Mediterranee Club Mediterrance, a major

resorts, expects to report higher earnings for the year ending October 31, the president, M

Gilbert Trigano says. For the previous year, the company showed net earnings of 51.8m francs (about £5.8m) and paid a net dividend of 6.39 francs per share. Consolidated turnover is expected to rise to about 1,200m francs from 950.4m in the 1975-76 year.

Honda to extend in U S The Honda Motor of Japan per cent. Of this, world total plans to build an assembly plant for motorcycles in Ohio

with final agreement expected by the end of this year. The group expects to spend about 10,000m yen (about £20,4m) on the United States facility, with initial motorcycle production of about 3,000-5,000 units per month of large-size models beinging cours from Leanner bringing parts from Japan on a knock-down basis. The plant will employ about 300-400

workers Officials at Honds say they have not reached a final agreement with authorities in the midwestern state on where

Ashland Oil price cut Ashland Chemical of Ohio says that its chemical products

division lowered prices on its Admex 710 and 711 Vinyl plasticizers and added another plasticizer to the line. Ashland Chemical is a division of Ashland Oil Incorporated. Admex 710 and 711 Exposidized Soybean Oil in bulk went down three cents a lb to 51 cents from September 15. The plasticizers-stabilizers are used in flexible vinyl applications.

Prieska troubles Prieska copper mines

South Africa foresees that its resources could well be de-pleted in a short time with essential capital expenditure at R5.5m (about £3.6m) for the year ending June 30 and with the commencement in December of the redemption of debentures at the rate of R2.5m a year, the chairman, Mr R. T. Swemmer, says. He said that every faces of the mines operation continues to be critically examined with a view to maintaining the company's competitive position when copper and zinc markets are in over-supply. year taxed profit was

showed a rise in pre-tax prof of 70.7 per cent to a reco \$70.7m. Loudon market helped parties 2 way the group has kept recession at bay in the balf year to June 30 with a sein of nearly 11 per cent to £197,000 in pre-

Carbonising

Mr. P. Manley has joised board of National Carbonists financial director. Mr E. I. XI ston also becomes a director. Mr Geoffrey Lomer has the made a director of Racal Electronics as technical director of the Racal group. He remaind deputy managing director of Racal Facticom.

Ar. A. T. Harvey has been appointed director of Dunion overseas operations. Now group director of the Dunion Industrial Group, he is being succeeded by Mr. R. A. Brooke, director, Belling Group. Mr. C. B. Bullough takes over from Mr. Brooke. takes over from Mr Brooke.

Mr R. C. Ducane becomes a director of Vosper. Mr J. B. C. Grant has resigned.

Sir Peter Hayman is in pole in the board of Edbro (Holdings). Mr Harry Crowther and Mr kent managing directors of Silenting group. Both are directors of Silentinght Holdings.

Mr Alan Campling becomes director of Wigham Poland Avisition.

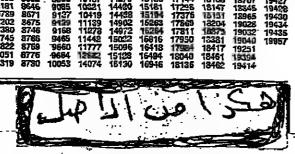
manager-operations, of Manpower (London) has gone on to the board of CoSERA (Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas).

Mr P. C. Meredith and Mr P. C. Meredith and Mr P. C. Meredith are been elected directors of H. J. Enthoven & Year end

Engineers.
Mr T. G. Abell has joined the board of Broadstone investment

Mr Ken Wright has been made a non-executive director Panocean-Anco.





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Zinc output cut Melbourne, Sept 27.—EZ hodustries said it is further reducing rinc output to an annual rate of 150,000 tonnes, to meet the deteriorating market situation and rising stocks. The company previously cut output from an annual rate of 190,000 tonnes to 160,000 tonnes at the end of June.

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ESTATES AND GENERAL INVESTMENTS

LIMITED Announcement of Unaudited Group Results for the

Half Year ended 30th June, 1977 Half Year . Half Year . Year to to 30 June to 30 June 1976 €232,000

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he Directors have declared an Interim Dividend on the ordinary tock in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1977 of 1.3 pence per stock unit (1976: 0.3 pence) amounting to 29,178 which together with a tax credit of 0.15 pence per stock this experience to 544 202 29,178 which together with a tax credit of 0.15 pence per stock init amounts to £44,202.

The Dividend will be paid on 23rd November, 1977 to ordinary stockholders on the register at the close of business on 21st Dictober, 1977.

The Directors anticipate that the results for the full year will show a further improvement on the previous year.

Commodities

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Syrian sugar buying tender reported Trade sources said that Syria will hold a buving tender on October 5 for 20,000 tonnes of white sugar for arrival during November-January.

Cocoa deposits The International Commodity Clearing House yesterday again reised the basic deposit rates for dealings in the spot September terminal cocoa position by 52,000 to £4,450 per 10-tonne lot on hionday deposits were raised by £2,000 per lot to £2,450.

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Amaza New York, Sept 27. New York stock prices closed mostly lower, abandoning an attempt to gain that began late Monday and extended into early trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 5.80 to 835.85. Declining issues oundistanced gainers about 700 to 610. New York. Sent 27.—COCOA prices classed 5.90 to 5.50 certal fewer following reports of a test interest of the control of the c 10-5 Oct.

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Sterling closed five points easier at \$1.7435 against the dollar on foreign exchanges yesterday. Earlier in the day, the rate had touched \$1.7445 and the Bank of England was believed to have taken in a small amount of dollars for the reserves.

But as the dollar gradually improved all round, so sterling drifted back to its closing level. Dealers said Mr Healey's remarks about the "over-exuherant" foreign exchange market was not a factor in the pound's performance. The effective index was unchanged at 62.4.

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The dollar's raily surprised many dealers in view of the increased trade deficit last month. However, the Swiss clamp-down on forward franc sales probably took some of the pressure off the dollar, dealers said.

Swiss francs fell from 2.3500 to 2.3660 against the dollar. German marks dipped from 2.3250 to 2.3300, French francs eased from 4.9240 to 4.9230. Gold fell \$0.50 an ounce to close in London at \$152.625.

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Discount market To offset a particularly acute To oriset a particularly acute shortage of credit on Lombard Street yesterday, the Bank of England lent an exceptionally large sum oversight at MLR (6 percent) to seven or eight discount houses. In addition, the Bank bought a large number of Treasury bills directly from the houses and a small amount of local authority bills.

bills.

During the session, houses paid up to 6 per cent for fresh funds, widle interbank rates from time to time broke through to 64 per cent. Books were finally raied off in the range of 52-51 per cent, but the assistance from the authorities had clearly been rather overdone so that late interbank trading got down to 41 per cent. The major adverse factors were the extremely large repayments to the Bank in respect of Monday's borrowings and a very large sum for the settlement of gibts sold by the Government Broker. Other minus items included slight Treasury bill take-up modest excess of tax receipts over Exchequer disbursements.

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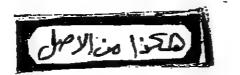
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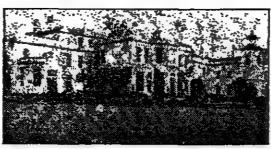
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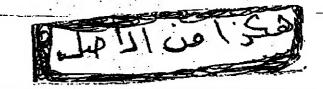
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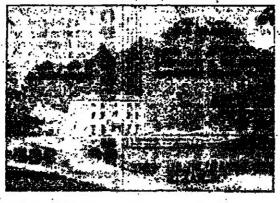
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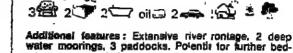
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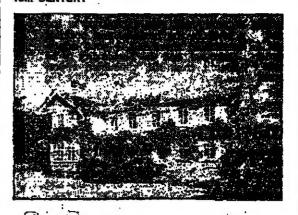
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